

Rippon quits Uganda U.K. RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASIANS

KAIROBI (AP). — British Cabinet Minister Geoffrey Rippon, who flew here from neighbouring Uganda yesterday, without seeing President Amin, said Britain fully accepts its responsibilities towards its African subjects and hoped that British Asians being ousted from Uganda be treated in a humane, just and orderly manner.

U.S. Army report Urges defoliants in Europe in case of war

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Use of defoliants in Western Europe to help stall a Communist attack is recommended in a secret U.S. Army study, according to Daniel Greenberg, author of the "Washington Observer," Science and Government "report."

Mr. Greenberg also states in the forthcoming issue of the "New Yorker" that the army study recommends use of herbicides to defoliate vegetation in case of counter-insurgency war in Cuba, Ethiopia and Venezuela, and conventional war in Korea.

The study, code-named Spectrum, claims that use of chemicals in a Warsaw Pact attack through Germany into France, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg would increase the time of delay during which NATO forces could hold out, Mr. Greenberg says.

Cuban party group arrives in Aden

ADEN (Reuters). — A three-member Cuban Communist Party team arrived here yesterday for a week's official visit to Southern Yemen.

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Chou sees Waldheim

TOKYO (AP). — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim had his first meeting with Chinese Premier Chou En-lai in Peking yesterday, the New China News Agency said.

Indians clear mines for Pakistanis

NEW DELHI (Reuters). — Indian Army sappers have started removing mines laid in occupied Pakistani territory during and after the December war in preparation for the troops withdrawal later this month.

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Shriver sticks to story on losing peace chance

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Mr. Sargent Shriver, Democratic vice-presidential candidate, yesterday elaborated on his charge that President Nixon lost an opportunity in 1969 to end the Vietnam war, saying that the Administration's initial peace terms amounted to insistence on a U.S. victory.

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By ITZHAK OKED Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Although police believe that a handgrenade set off the explosion and fire which damaged the Dalla Hall here, and injured 10 bar-mitzva guests on Saturday night, they have ruled out terrorist sabotage and say that it was probably the work of criminal elements.

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TEL AVIV police spokesman Rav-Pakad Amos Aricha told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that no arrests had been made yet and declined to say in which direction the police were investigating. He emphasized that the owners of the Dalla Hall were not connected with the underworld, and they had not received any threats in the past.

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Eban briefs Cabinet on Jarring moves

Foreign Minister Abba Eban briefed the Cabinet yesterday on the latest developments in the Gunnar Jarring mission. (The U.N. envoy has left New York after conducting a fruitless round of talks with the parties to the Middle East conflict.)

Egyptian F.M. to meet Brazilian President

RIO DE JANEIRO (INA). — Egyptian Foreign Minister Murad Ghaleb arrived here yesterday. He is scheduled to meet President Emílio Garrastazu Médici and Foreign Minister Gibson Barbosa, in Brasilia today, to "expose the Middle East situation," said the Egyptian Embassy spokesman here.

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NEW STUDENT UNREST Egypt planning law to control anti-gov't acts

By ANAN SAFADI, Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
The Egyptian parliament's legislative committee met for the second time within 24 hours yesterday to draft a law aimed at curbing anti-government activities, as President Sadat's regime was reportedly facing fresh political turmoil being generated by university students.

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Beer Sheva 22/12	18-25	18-25
Elon 22/12	18-25	18-25
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Social and Personal

On Friday, the Minister of Housing and Mrs. Zeev Sharaf received the Boston delegation at their home in Jerusalem. Earlier in the day a number of leaders met with Mr. David Ben-Gurion in Tel Aviv.

Members of the Boston Israel Bonds Delegation yesterday visited the Hebrew University, calling on the president, Mr. Avraham Harman.

Mr. Harry Frank, Toronto Israel Bond Chairman, on Friday called on the Minister of Housing, Mr. Zeev Sharaf.

ANSARI - PRENTICE
 The engagement is announced between Isaac Ansari, Jerusalem, and Georgina Prentice, Landcare, Newich, Sussex, England, on August 10, 1972.

ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. I.M. Cohen, owners of the Bais-Cohen Art Gallery, New York, for a week's visit in connection with the opening of the Graphic Art Galleries.

96 UNLICENSED GUNS were turned in in Haifa in the first two weeks of the period of grace before August 31, when the tough new gun law goes into effect. Police reported that most of the guns were war booty, in good condition.



DEEP VOICE AT '16' — Communications Minister Shimon Peres answering Tel Aviv residents who dialed '16' yesterday to report telephone breakdowns. Mr. Peres also sat in at the Jerusalem switchboard to answer calls to '16' in an attempt to find out how service can be improved. (Camera 32)

Gaza terrorists on trial for murder of nurse, 5 others

GAZA — Three terrorists were indicted here yesterday for a total of six murders, including the slaying of American nurse Mavis Pate in Nazareth and the killing of Israeli soldier Zion Zadoq Gilimil in July 1971. The men are Fuad Hamid, 32, Rashid Sidawi, 19, and Zafah Ghidfan, 18, all of the Jebalya refugee camp. They were picked up in March and have already confessed to membership of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine and to illegal possession of arms. But they pleaded not guilty yesterday to the murders, which also include those of four Gaza civilians — three men and a girl. Nurse Pate, 40, was a Louisiana in charge of the operating theatre at Gaza's Baptist Hospital. She was hit on January 16, when terrorists ambushed the minibus in which she was riding with the hospital's pastor, Texas Baptist minister Edward Nicholas, and Rev. Nicholas's children. Rev. Nicholas and one of his daughters were slightly injured in the attack. (It was the Baptist minister's third brush with death in the Strip: in March 1969 terrorists fired at his car but missed him, and a month later he was slightly hurt after running over a terrorist mine.)

Young terrorists sentenced in Gaza Strip

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
 GAZA — Three young residents of Beit Hanun, at the northern end of the Gaza Strip, were sentenced by a military court here yesterday for membership in terrorist organizations and a spate of grenade-throwings in 1970. The three — Anis Alamawi, 19, Muhammad al-Za'anin, 23, and Khalil Swadeh, 17 — were picked up at the beginning of the year with arms in their possession. They were convicted yesterday of a number of grenade-throwings at civilian and military vehicles, and of illegal arms possession and membership in terrorist organizations. Alamawi, a Fatah man, and al-Za'anin of the Popular Liberation Forces were each sentenced to five years in prison plus a further five-year suspended term. Swadeh, also of the P.L.F., got four years in jail plus four years suspended.

Rafah Beduin intimidated on compensation

RAFAH — Four Beduin from the Rafah approach" who agreed to accept compensation for expropriated lands were roughed up by members of the same tribe on Saturday night. The four were not badly hurt. On the strength of their complaint to the Military Government in Gaza, three members of the Abu Hilu tribe were arrested and three others are being sought. One of the men sought is the brother of Sheikh Abu Hila, chief of the tribe and one of the most outspoken critics of the Government's policy in dispossessing the Beduin. The Abu Hilu tribe used to live in the area between Rafah and Sheikh Zuweid, closer to El Arish. They were removed from their lands at the beginning of the year, and Sheikh Abu Hila was for a time the spokesman of the Beduin who did not want to accept compensation. "Tim" reports that he even gave interviews to foreign newspapers and TV crews. (Tim)

Search continues for escaped terrorist

BEERSHEVA — The search continued last night for escaped terrorist Mahmoud Lufdi. Police said they incited more and more to the idea that the 29-year-old Gaza Strip man was his way out of the Central Prison here on Friday in women's clothes smuggled in from the outside. Earlier on Friday, Lufdi, who had served two years of a 20-year sentence, had sat with visiting relatives among a large crowd of other prisoners and visitors who turned the prison lawn into a picnic-ground. Changes in visiting practices at the prison are expected, and Prisons Commissioner Arye Nir was reported yesterday to have appointed a commission to look into security arrangements there and the background to the escape. (Tim)

Hillel to review Gaza Police graduation

GAZA — Police Minister Shlomo Hillel is due here today to review the graduating class of the local course for Gaza Strip Police cadets, which ended yesterday. The 40 men are the second class to be graduated since the Israel-run course began here. As of yesterday Gaza's policemen are wearing exactly the same uniform as Israeli police. The Gaza men used to wear berets with a cloth police star, but they now have regulation Israeli caps with the standard metal star. Their officers now have stars to show their rank instead of the metal bars they formerly bore. The only difference remaining is in the salary.

Tourists' likes and dislikes to be studied

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
 Beginning tomorrow, some 50,000 tourists and Israelis are to be interviewed throughout the country in a statistical study to determine the chief locations visited by holiday-makers, according to their origins, hours preferred, means of transport, etc. The Tourism Ministry spokesman yesterday said the study will comprise three separate surveys. The results will provide the first reliable data on visitors to the seashore and other main tourist sites, and the volume of traffic on the nation's main arteries. The surveys are to be arranged by a committee made up of representatives of the Ministries of Tourism and Interior and of the Jewish Agency, in consultation with the Central Bureau Statistics. The Centre for Practical Research won a tender to carry out the work. The first survey will include interviews at 13 sites, including beaches, from Mount Hermon to Sharm e-Sheikh. It will include a questionnaire which will also invite remarks on shortcomings. A second survey will count visitors at six bathing beaches, and a third will record traffic at 24 crossroads. Aerial photographs will be used to determine the number of visitors and density of traffic to bathing beaches at Lake Kinneret, the Mediterranean and the Red Sea.

Verdict in Sabena hijacking today

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
 ZRIFIN — The verdict, and possibly the sentence, of Therese Halasch and Rima Issa Tannous will be handed down this morning by the military court trying them for their part in the Sabena airline hijacking at Lod Airport on May 8. Mr. Eliezer Carmi, Rima Tannous lawyer, told The Jerusalem Post last night that he hadn't managed to persuade any of the people in the exchange in Bethlehem who knew Rima to come to testify on her character. Mr. Ya'acov Henigman, who is defending Therese Halasch, told The Jerusalem Post that he had managed to persuade two persons to testify as character witnesses. They are an Acre Roman Catholic priest, Father Anthony Fully, and a matron of the English Hospital in Nazareth, Sister Manny, where Therese had trained to be a nurse.



Governor Nelson Rockefeller of New York accepts a mother-of-pearl Star of Bethlehem at Bethlehem City Hall yesterday. Next to the Governor at left is Mayor Elias Fraj. (Wass)

Rockefeller leaves after 4-day visit of tours, high-level talks

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH, Jerusalem Post Reporter
 Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York flew out of Israel in his private jet at midnight last night after a four-day visit that left him optimistic about the chances for Jewish-Arab peace. The Governor declined to say whether he was bearing any message to President Nixon from Premier Meir, whom he described as "one of the great statesmen in the world today."

Press absent

Most of the Israeli press, as well as radio and television reporters, were absent from Governor Rockefeller's press conference last night, having left the room at the King David Hotel where it was to be held, when the Governor failed to appear forty minutes after the scheduled time of 7 p.m. (Some had been informed the conference was to take place at 6:30 p.m. and had been waiting since then.) Governor Rockefeller arrived five minutes after they left. He apologized for his lateness, explaining that he had been on the move since early morning and that he had stopped in his room to get a fresh shirt and to have his suit pressed. He may not have realized the local press' absence, since most of the seats were filled by non-journalists — apparently guests in the hotel — some of whom even put questions to the Governor.

Old City. He expressed satisfaction when Mr. Kollek said they would be replaced by a master antenna. The Governor suggested that trees be planted in front of the Panorama Hotel in East Jerusalem to soften its outline. "It's a clean city," said Mr. Rockefeller. A lunch given in Gov. Rockefeller's honor at the Israel Museum was attended by clergymen from East Jerusalem, Government officials and Jewish and Arab dignitaries. The Governor said Jerusalem and the world were fortunate to have somebody "with such good taste and such sensitivity" as Mr. Kollek serving as Mayor of Jerusalem.

In Ikrit-Bir'im protest Greek Catholics skip Sunday services

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter
 HAIFA — In an unprecedented move, the 23 Greek Catholic churches in Haifa, Acre, Nazareth and all Galilee were closed yesterday, on the orders of the Archbishop of Galilee, Joseph Raya. Sunday services were not held. The Archbishop personally fasted yesterday, and proclaimed it a day of protest against the Government decision on the villages of Bir'im and Ikrit. But he failed to get the other Christian communities to join in the protest. The bells of the Greek Catholic churches pealed in protest, and at the church doors was posted his proclamation of mourning. In it, he called on his flock not to despair or burn their hearts to turn to hate "because our brethren, the noble people of Israel, recognize justice, and the justice of our cause." It was "only the present Government" which had denied the villagers their rights. He ended his proclamation with the call "Long Live Israel, Long Live the People of Israel and Long Live Ikrit and Bir'im." All the other Christian churches in Israel remained open for Sunday service. Archbishop Raya later paid a visit to the squatters of his own community at Ikrit and continued to Bir'im, where well over 1,000 people had gathered. The little church was too crowded for the service that was to be held there, and instead he spoke from the restored ancient synagogue at the site. With great emotion he called on the villagers to intensify their campaign. He announced that he intended to organize an inter-faith demonstration in Jerusalem Wednesday week. He himself would bear a cross through the Old City. He told a reporter, however, that for the time being he would refrain from taking action abroad. He would work only inside the country in the hope of getting the Government to change its decision. The committee of Bir'im villagers decided to call off their visit inside the church, where people have picketed for the last three days. They will keep only a symbolic watch at the church, staying there in turns. Most of them had left the site yesterday evening.

Ex-journalist, detective on blackmail charge

TEL AVIV — Blackmail charges were pressed yesterday against a private detective and a former journalist in connection with the Eli Landau case. Landau, who used to be military correspondent for "Ma'ariv," was charged with complicity in the theft and subsequent sale of IL110,000 worth of pesticides. He was later acquitted in court. According to the indictment filed in the District Court yesterday, Michael Matspun, 31, a private detective and Ron Ideliat, 25, formerly staff correspondent of Israel Television, went to Landau with what they felt was incriminating evidence linking him to the sale of some of the stolen pesticides to a farmer in the Sharon. In negotiations which were conducted in March, they offered to "forget" about the whole story if Landau gave them IL30,000. The prosecution charges that on March 26, a meeting was called at Landau's house in Herzliya at which he gave them IL20,000 in cash. They were arrested with the money on leaving the house, the charge sheet says. On their arrest, Matspun claimed that the offer was a "spurious one" to test whether Landau had in fact been involved in the theft. He said that he had been hired by the victim of the theft, the Garin Company, to find out who the culprit was. Ideliat had said that he had come along to Landau's house only out of curiosity. (Tim)

Police hold four in gas station stick-up

TEL AVIV — Four known crooks have been arrested on suspicion of holding up a gas station early yesterday morning and taking IL3,000. The four, who have not yet been arraigned in court, all live in the Neve Yisrael quarter, from which the car used in the stick-up was stolen. At four yesterday morning, a Peugeot passenger car pulled into the Delek station at the corner of the Gaba and Herzliya roads. Three men emerged from the car. At the point of an UzI sub-machinegun, they tied up the station attendant and carried him about 200 metres away. They then broke into the station's safe. The attendant had meanwhile worked his legs free and crawled back to the station, from where he telephoned the police. (Tim)

Galili denies rift with Ben-Aharon

JERUSALEM POST POLITICAL REPORTER
 TEL AVIV — Minister Without Portfolio Yitzhak Galili, over the weekend deplored what he called the existence of a "liaison bureau" seeking to make trouble between the leaders of the Labour movement. Mr. Galili had been answering questions at a meeting at Kibbutz Kabri in Western Galilee when one member asked him about a press report that "certain leaders are aiming to oust Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon... and tension exists between Ben-Aharon and Galili."

The Minister protested that "this is one of the ugliest fabrications I've heard in some time." He declared, "There are definite indications of the existence of a liaison bureau for disseminating misinformation, the aim of which is to create a rift in the Labour movement."

Both Mr. Galili and Mr. Ben-Aharon are leading members of the Kibbutz Hametud federation, to which Kibbutz Kabri belongs. Mr. Galili travelled up to Kabri to gain the kibbutz consent for one of its members, Mr. Daniele Rosolio, to become secretary of the Kibbutz Federation (the Federation Executive has voted on his candidacy).

Cabinet strikes off Galah motion on Ben-Aharon

JERUSALEM POST KNESSET REPORTER
 The Cabinet unanimously decided yesterday to strike off its agenda an urgent motion from Galah regarding labour relations in the country, due to be presented to a special session of the House tomorrow. It was also decided that Labour Minister Yosef Almorog will reply to the motion. The special Knesset session was granted by the Presidium last week — following an appeal from 31 opposition Knesset Members from Galah, the Free Centre and the State List — to call the House in from summer recess to debate what they termed Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon's incitement of workers against their employers. The opposition Members claimed that Mr. Ben-Aharon's statements regarding the current Elite strike had led a wave of wildcat strikes in other sectors — strikes which were causing untold harm to the country's economy.

Kol questions draft exemption of yeshiva boys

JERUSALEM POST KNESSET REPORTER
 Tourism Minister Moshe Kol has questioned the practice of not calling yeshiva students to serve in the armed forces. The decision was made in 1968 by a special Ministerial Committee headed by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan. Mr. Kol, at yesterday's Cabinet session, offered two proposals — both of which were voted down. First he suggested that the estimated 5,000 yeshiva students of call-up age be required to do minimal compulsory service in special units and then regular reserve duty. Second, he offered that the special arrangement in force with youths from Yavne be projected to all yeshiva students. According to the latter plan, yeshiva students would be required to do one month's active duty for each year of their compulsory service, and later regular reserve duty.

Mr. Kol managed to muster no support at all for his proposals, and the status quo will be maintained.

Court order in case of religious girl's induction

The High Court of Justice yesterday issued an order nisi against the Minister of Defence and the Draft Exemptions Committee in Tel Aviv, asking them to show cause why they should not exempt, from military service a girl from Yavne, Georgette Hadar. The court also issued a temporary injunction barring the girl's induction pending final judgment of her case. In her appeal against the Exemptions Committee's decision, the plaintiff said when the time came for her induction she submitted a request to be exempted on religious grounds. After giving her an examination, the Committee decided against exempting her because her knowledge of religious laws and ceremonies was superficial. She maintained, however, that her knowledge is usual for a girl from her religious background and community, which requires that a girl know the laws of modesty and remain with her family until separated from them "in the course of nature."

The plaintiff claimed, furthermore, that the committee had decided to make hers a test case, in the wake of public criticism of the exemption of religious girls from military service. (Tim)

Scout camp dysentery due to bacteria in minced meat

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter
 HAIFA — The Regional Health Office has traced the dysentery that struck 50 scouts at a summer camp at Kfar Hahoresh last week to food supplied to the camp. The district physician, Dr. F. Mossberg, told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that the dysentery had been traced to one of the "Shigella" bacteria discovered in some minced meat loaf that the 128 scouts in the camp had eaten. It is not certain exactly where the food went bad, but it is considered probable that it had either spoiled while being taken to the camp or had been infected by one of the cooks who handled it there. All the children, some of whom were hospitalized, have since recovered. The outbreak was not serious, although the camp was closed by the Scouts Organization after the outbreak. The Post learned that the food was supplied to the camp by the students' restaurant of Kfar Hahoresh. An investigation showed that the restaurant, opened three years ago, has always operated without a licence. The Post learned that the scout camp was also reportedly run without a licence, because the health office had found hygiene conditions there below standard. The University spokesman, Michael Shiloh, told The Post that the students' restaurant is run by three partners who won a concession from the management. A special restaurant committee controls the

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Young couples misled over homes prices Haifa City Hall, Shikun Ovdim in fight over cost of apartments

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — The Municipality and Shikun Ovdim, the Histadrut building company, blame each other for having misled 112 young couples on the price of their future homes.

The couples, who registered for their flats in May, say that, according to a letter sent them at the time from Town Clerk Moshe Rofeh, the price was fixed at IL51,000. Two months later they were shocked by the news that the price was linked to the Cost-of-Living Index and had already gone up to IL58,000 — with the probability of further rises.

Work on the housing project of 224 flats, half of them for the young couples (at Ramot Remez, on Mount Carmel), is only now starting, and it is almost certain that the eventual price will be much higher when the flats are completed early in 1974.

"Nobody told us anything about this. We feel the Town Clerk didn't tell us all he knew on the subject. For us, every thousand pounds more means a lot of money," a spokesman for the young couples told *The Jerusalem Post*. "We only learnt recently that the Municipality and Shikun Ovdim argued about the price and that they went to arbitration over it. The arbitrator linked it to the Index, and the fact was withheld from us."

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NO PROFIT

Yesterday, the Shikun Ovdim spokesman explained that the company had offered to build the homes for the young couples at cost — IL51,000 — without any profit, linked to the Index as it stood in October 1971, which had been the basis of its agreement with the building contractor. The Municipality had thought the price high because the public-owned land was supplied free of charge. The Shikun Ovdim company countered that the flats, of 74.5 square metres each, were 5.5 sq.m. larger than those built elsewhere.

The two sides could not agree on the price, but agreed on arbitration. A construction expert, Tel Aviv engineer Dov Levitt, ruled the price should be IL51,500 (instead of IL51,000 demanded by Shikun Ovdim), fixed to the Index of last October.

"A month later... Mr. Rofeh informed the young couples that the arbitrator had fixed the price at IL51,000, without informing them of the clause on the C-o-L link. The Shikun Ovdim company believes that Mr. Rofeh deliberately misled the young couples to place himself and the Municipality in a favourable light, or for other reasons of which we are unaware," the company spokesman said.

Shikun Ovdim added that, in 1971, it had built 4,500 flats for young

Gaza, West Bank share same destiny — Gaza Mayor

AMMAN (Reuter). — The Gaza Strip and the West Bank share a common destiny, the Mayor of Gaza, Mr. Rashad Shawa, told journalists here yesterday.

He arrived here yesterday at the head of a delegation of 40 representatives of all parts of the Gaza Strip, including heads of municipal councils, doctors, lawyers and businessmen. The unity of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip was natural as "they are part of Palestine and fall under the same Israeli occupation," he said.

It is Mr. Shawa's second visit to the East Bank of the Jordan in 40 days. The delegation's current visit is expected to last one week.

Mr. Shawa said contacts had taken place between leaders of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. The two sides were convinced that "linking the destiny of the West Bank and the Strip together reflects the natural situation," he added.

The delegation would seek facilities such as granting passports to Gaza Strip students to allow them to travel to the Arab countries and join their universities, Mr. Shawa said.

Facilities for the entry of Gaza Strip trucks into the East Bank, similar to those granted to West Bank trucks, and awarding scholarships to Gaza Strip students for study at the state-run Jordanian University would also be sought, the Mayor said.

'Irregularities' in telephone work in Sinai

Police are investigating charges that three Ministry of Communications employees hired a bulldozer from the company they themselves own to carry out earthmoving work at the telephone relay station in Sinai, where they were based. The police spokesman said the three are also suspected of various other irregularities, including the theft of large quantities of fuel and other supplies.

The three men were arraigned in Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday and released on IL2,000 bail apiece. The Ministry is considering suspending them until the charges are cleared up, "Him" reports.

The three are Nissan Liemi, the Ministry's chief engineer in Sinai; his deputy, Ya'acov Atari; and his assistant, fax Frankel. All are from Jerusalem.

According to police, they had hired a bulldozer from the Amin Company for work they were carrying out in Sinai. The three are the registered owners of Amin. (Him)

Mock execution held outside Soviet embassy

LONDON (AP). — Demonstrators staged a mock execution by firing squad outside the Soviet Embassy in London yesterday to protest the persecution of Soviet Jews.

The organizers, the Committee for the Release of Soviet Jewish Prisoners, lined up against the embassy buildings. They wore blindfolds, had their hands tied and a Star of David daubed on their bare chests. They were faced by a steel-helmeted, uniformed man wielding a pistol.

More power cuts today

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA: — There will be another day of electricity cuts today — "short ones, if the public continues to be as cooperative as it has been so far," the Electric Corporation spokesman said yesterday.

Engineers and technicians are working on the repair of the faulty boiler at one of the Reading D power station's two units. The units, still fairly new, are the responsibility of the American suppliers whose experts are taking part in the repair work.

While the fault is a minor one and may be expected to be eliminated within hours, it has thrown a spotlight on the fact that the country has barely enough generating capacity for its current needs without any safety margin that would make power cuts unnecessary in case of a breakdown. The new power station which the I.E.C. has planned to go up near Hadera is still not approved by the Government bodies concerned. "We're already 18 months behind the date when we should have started construction," the Corporation's spokesman admitted yesterday.

Israel justice elected to int'l jurists' group

Israel Supreme Court Judge Haim S. Cohn is one of four new members of the International Commission of Jurists whose election was officially announced yesterday.

A former Minister of Justice and Attorney-General, Justice Cohn was Israel's representative on the U.N. Commission on Human Rights and chairman of the Israeli national section of the I.C.J.

The other three new members are Mr. Akbar Baksh K. Brohi of Pakistan, a former Law Minister and High Commissioner of Pakistan in India; Professor John Peters Humphrey of Canada, professor of law and political science at McGill University; and Justice Kebe M'Baye of Senegal, president of Senegal's Supreme Court.

The I.C.J. is limited to 40 full members, who represent the principal legal systems of the world.

Two Histadrut officials buried

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The funeral took place at the Kiryat Shaul cemetery yesterday of Ze'ev Barash, director of the Histadrut educational enterprises, who died of a brain haemorrhage on Friday.

He was eulogized by Secretary-General of the Histadrut Yitzhak Ben-Aharon in the hall of the Histadrut building here, and by Mr. Asher Yadin, Secretary of Hevrat Ovdim, at the graveside. Former Secretary-General of the Histadrut Aharon Becker, representative of the Seaman's Union, and members of the family attended the funeral.

Zadok Golan, the security officer of the Histadrut Executive, was laid to rest at the Holon cemetery yesterday afternoon. He was eulogized by Mr. Zvi Artzi, Chairman of the Histadrut Executive Workers Committee.

Golan, an old-timer of the Hagana, began his life in Tel Aviv as a building worker. He was Elisha Golan's assistant at "Room 17" at the Histadrut executive which served as Hagana headquarters before the establishment of the State.

Autopsy ordered in suicide of Damoun prisoner

HAIFA. — The Magistrate's Court here yesterday ordered that an autopsy be performed on the body of Shaul Shabtai, who was found dead in his cell at Damoun prison over the weekend.

Shabtai, 35, of Jerusalem, was found hanging from a rope made of torn-up bed sheets. Suicide is suspected. (Him)

Pulsar 'visible' to Tel Aviv U. team

By SAEAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A husband-and-wife research team, John and Neta Bahcall, have identified the first pulsar to be observed with visible light in a binary system of stars.

The discovery was made at Tel Aviv University's Wise Observatory, opened at Mitzpeh Ramon in the Negev a year ago with the assistance of the Smithsonian Institution. Tel Aviv University sources assert that this "major discovery" has been confirmed by Professor W. Liller of the Harvard Observatory, using photographic plates covering a period of many years.

The pulsar was originally discovered by scientists using the X-ray satellite, Uhuru, put up by the American Science and Engineering Corporation. It was then detected by its pulsating X-ray emissions. It was also determined that the X-ray source orbits around an unseen star, just as the moon orbits around the earth. That unseen star eclipses or hides the X-ray source once every 1.7 days.

The Bahcalls identified the optical counterpart of the X-ray source by showing that the peculiar star, known as HZ Hercules, which is one of many stars in the constellation Hercules, has exactly the same orbital period (1.7 days) as the X-ray source. This star was previously listed in astronomical literature as an "irregular variable," i.e., non-periodic in its light output.

Burial society wins custody of U.S. Jew's body

HAIFA. — The son of an American Jew who died in Haifa was persuaded to bury his father here, rather than take the body back to the U.S. The funeral took place yesterday.

At the request of the local burial society, the District Court has issued a temporary injunction against repatriating the body of Nehemia Horowitz, who passed away last week at the age of 81. The son, Saul, had wanted to bury his father next to his deceased mother in their home town in New Jersey.

The burial society argued that, under the Anatomy and Pathology Law, it was entitled to claim the body and bury it in the holy soil of the Land of Israel. It also pointed out that the deceased had expressed a wish to be buried here.

The son, who remained in the U.S. and was represented in court by an American consular official, yesterday gave his consent that Nehemia Horowitz be buried in Israel. (Him)

Allon deplures 'uneducational' Asian countries

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Education Minister Yigal Allon scored the "uneducational attitude" of some Asian countries which have refused to attend a conference on science teaching in Israel. He was speaking at the opening session of the fourth biennial meeting of the Asian Association for Biological Education, at the Van Leer Institute in Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Allon said that, as an Asian, he was proud that Israel was a member of the organization. He deplored the fact that Pakistan, Malaysia and Indonesia had refused to send delegates. "Surely they would have been welcome, along with Arab delegates, if they had chosen to come," he said. It is a pity that tourists from Arab countries freely visit the West Bank and Israel, but scientists do not, he added.

The Association's president, Dr. L. B. Soriano of the Philippines (a relative of the Philippine Ambassador here, Dr. Raphaelita Soriano), said the teaching of science in high schools prepares the young for the important issues of our age — such as pollution, the population explosion and increasing the world's food supplies.

Hebrew University president Avraham Harman said there is a constant need to re-evaluate the science teaching system, so schools keep up with progress.

Renewed Scrolls publication

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The next volume in the "Discoveries in the Judean Desert" series on the Dead Sea Scrolls is expected to appear soon, after a five-year hiatus.

The Government Antiquities Department announced on Friday that Father Pierre Benoit of the Ecole Biblique et Archeologique Francaise, East Jerusalem, has succeeded the late Father Roland de Vaux as editor-in-chief of the series, published by the Oxford Press.

Publication of the manuscripts at the Rockefeller Museum began in 1956, under Jordanian rule, by a team of international scholars. Only five volumes have appeared so far, and there had been complaints in the scholarly world on the slow pace of publication.

After the 1967 war, Israel informed Father de Vaux that it would respect the publication rights of scholars to whom the texts from Cave 4 at Qumran, housed in the Rockefeller Museum, had been allocated earlier.

The "New York Times" last week complained editorially at the refusal of one of the 10 international scholars entrusted with the Scrolls to permit their publication "under any form under Israeli auspices." The scholar was not identified.

The next volume to appear will contain the report on the excavations at Cave 4 by Father de Vaux, and the publication of *Le Livre*, *Mezuzot* and other texts by Dr. J.T. Milik.

The Antiquities Department said publication will be under the joint auspices of the Ecole Biblique, the American School of Oriental Research and the Shrine of the Book, Jerusalem. It is hoped publication will now advance rapidly so that this important material will be available to scholars, the announcement said.

Beduin shot at wedding party

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — A Beduin border policeman was shot in the leg on Friday during a wedding celebration at his tribe's encampment near here.

The police spokesman reported that Constable Ali Zuweidat was hit when the festivities at the Kiryat Tivon campsite reached the *fajasta* stage, at which tribesmen let off their guns in all directions. Constable Zuweidat was taken to Rambam Hospital in Haifa with a fractured leg. Police are looking for the man who fired the bullet.

PICNICS STOP BULLDOZERS

RAMAT HASHARON. — Men and women constables have been assigned to clear the way for Public Works Department earthmovers this morning, if local residents again try to halt work on the new road.

Yesterday, a number of women and children affectionately blocked the bulldozers by picketing right on the route the new highway is to take. They were protesting against moving the busy Gush road further north, closer to their homes. (Him)

Journalist chief from Jordan visits Haifa

HAIFA. — The chairman of the Jordanian Journalists Association, Mr. Arafat Hijazi, visited Haifa at the head of a delegation of eight dignitaries from Amman over the weekend.

The group prayed at the Istiqlal Mosque and were guests of the trustee of the Moslem Waqf in town, Mr. Suhail Shoukri.

Mr. Shoukri said, in his conversations with Mr. Hijazi, the Jordanian journalist had expressed "his wonder" at the great forward economic strides made by the Arabs both in Israel and in the administered areas. He was also impressed by the close ties between Jews and Arabs that he had found, Mr. Shoukri said.

Mr. Hijazi dodged a question whether he intended to write up his impressions in his paper, the weekly "Amman el-Massa," on his return to Jordan.

In the course of his visit, Mr. Hijazi also delivered a message from Jordanian Prime Minister Ahmad Mowday to Mayor Mohammed Ali Ja'bari of Hebron.

THE SEMADAR CINEMA in Jerusalem's German Colony was broken into on Friday night and robbed of IL8,000 in cash and bonds. The police have arrested some suspects.

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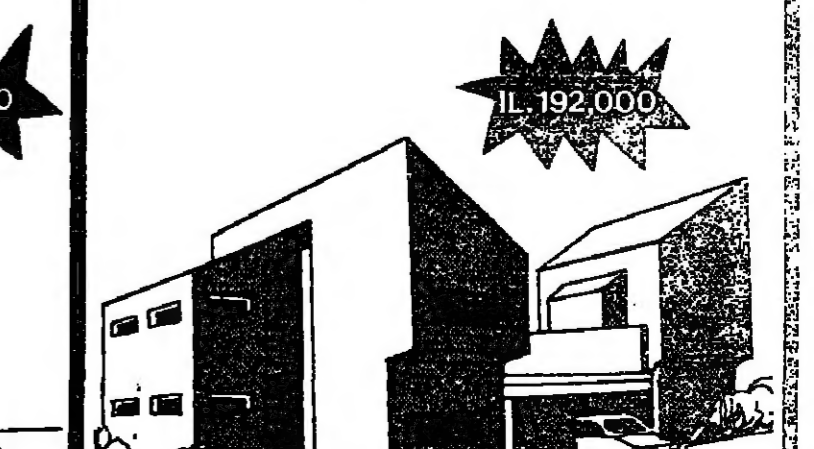
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Upsurge in commando raids in South Vietnam

SAIGON. — Communist sappers yesterday blew up an ammunition dump beside the largest U.S. camp in Vietnam, emphasizing an upsurge in commando attacks across the country and around Saigon.

The ammunition was stored in the South Vietnamese sector of Long Binh camp, only 24 kms. northeast of the capital, and adjacent to the sprawling U.S. compound where the majority of the American servicemen remaining in Vietnam are based.

The attack was the most spectacular sabotage incident near Saigon of the Communist offensive, and followed other commando-style raids and rocket attacks throughout last week against several major South Vietnamese towns.

In addition, Communist troops and sappers have made attacks on or near every main roadway leading out of Saigon during the past 10 days, underscoring President Nguyen Van Thieu's prediction at the beginning of the month that a major attack could soon be expected against Saigon.

Heavy fighting was reported yesterday 50 kms. east of the capital, around Lal Khe camp on the road to An Loc. Military sources said government troops, backed by tanks and other armoured vehicles, were coming under constant shelling and ground attacks from the North Vietnamese and Viet Cong in rubber plantations of the highway.

The sources reported that up until midnight on Saturday seven South Vietnamese armoured vehicles had been damaged or destroyed, 20 soldiers killed and 60 others wounded. Communist casualties were said to be 26 killed. Further south, saboteurs just before dawn on Saturday blew a culvert on the western sector of Route One leading to Cambodia, a government spokesman said. It was the second crossing

Iranian police general killed by terrorists

TEHERAN (Reuters). — Two terrorists shot and killed a senior police officer, Brigadier-General Said Taheri, in an eastern suburb of Teheran yesterday, the government announced.

Police were hunting for the two terrorists for sabotage when they fired at the officer and fled. A government spokesman said one of the guerrillas' accomplices was killed and another captured in a street gun-battle last Friday, when a policeman was wounded.

All four were comrades of guerrilla Mohamamad Hussein Mohrabi, seriously wounded last Wednesday when, according to police, a bomb exploded in his hand and he was placed in a Teheran department store. He is now in hospital here.

Move to improve Tokyo-Peking communications

TOKYO (AP). — China yesterday invited the President of Japan's International Telegraph and Telephone Company K.D.D. to visit Peking for talks on improving communication links between the two countries, K.D.D. said.

Company officials said the Chinese invitation came after K.D.D. sounded out the Chinese Government on the possibility of tele-casting scenes of the planned visit to Peking by Japanese Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka in late September for talks with Chinese leaders on normalisation of Sino-Japanese relations.

Several Japanese television broadcasting stations hope to telecast Mr. Tanaka's visit and K.D.D. had proposed to send its officials and engineers to Peking to prepare for the broadcast, the officials said. Japan currently maintains six circuits for shortwave radio communication between Tokyo and Osaka and the Chinese capital.

K.D.D. President Yoshimaru Kaneko and 10 other officials plan to leave for Peking on Wednesday aboard a Japanese airliner which will make a special flight from Tokyo to Shanghai carrying a 208-member Chinese dance and theatrical troupe now visiting Japan, the officials said.

Bokassa calls Africans now seen not Sudan to hold Waldheim boycotting Olympics since coup

BANGUI (AP). — The President of the Central African Republic, who recently ordered convicted robbers to be beaten, some to death, yesterday sharply attacked U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim for "interference in our country's internal affairs."

Dr. Waldheim sent a message to President Jean-Bedel Bokassa following the recent beatings, after which the victims were exhibited in the centre of Bangui.

Mr. Bokassa has also ordered to cut off the ears or hands of thieves and that they be executed for a fourth offence.

Mr. Bokassa said he would not hesitate to call Dr. Waldheim "a procurer, colonialist and imperialist," but stressed he was referring personally to Dr. Waldheim and not attacking the U.N. organization.

Waldheim's role was to solve the problems of peace in the world, and not interfere in the internal affairs of the Central African Republic, Bokassa said.

He also attacked the League for the Rights of Man for having sent a protest note after the beating incident. Mr. Bokassa repeated his determination to fight robbery pitilessly.

"Let the robbers of the world go and pillage the office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations or the headquarters of the League for the Rights of Man, if they want to, but on our soil, we say no," he stated.

MUNICH (Reuters). — Prospects of a large-scale boycott of the Olympic Games by Black African nations in protest at white-ruled Rhodesia's presence appeared to be diminishing yesterday.

A team of 34 athletes from Ethiopia flew in late Saturday night and 17 sportsmen from Togo and 14 from the Ivory Coast were expected to arrive yesterday.

Flag-raising ceremonies for Ethiopia and Uganda were held yesterday. There are also a handful of sportsmen here from Senegal, Sudan and Egypt.

Asked at the daily press conference if he thought the increasing number of African arrivals indicated the threat of a boycott was now not so grave, press chief Hans Klein said the international Olympic committee viewed the latest developments as "positive." But he declined to comment further.

Tanzania and Sierra Leone have boycotted the games, starting on August 25, because a Rhodesian team was allowed in under the old Southern Rhodesia flag and the British national anthem.

The Supreme Council for Sport in Africa accepted this compromise and the Rhodesians flew in with papers describing them as British subjects.

But the Organisation of African Unity on Saturday called on African teams and supporters of Africa to withdraw from the games if Rhodesia takes part. The organization, based in Addis Ababa, groups 41 African countries.

The Rhodesians have now settled in one of the concrete skyscrapers in the Olympic Village. The Rhodesians and the Portuguese are housed on the 17th and 18th floors of the building. Their officials say the Rhodesians are concentrating on training and refuse to talk politics.

Instructions have gone out to Olympic departments that the official designation of the Salisbury contingent is "Southern Rhodesia," and this name has been painted over the earlier title "Rhodesia" on direction signs in the village.

Mr. Avery Brundage, President of the International Olympic Committee, who insisted that Rhodesia must be invited and has been assailed by some African circles for this position, flies in to Munich tomorrow, it was announced yesterday.

The 84-year-old American, who has headed the I.O.C. for two decades, was expected to announce his retirement during the I.O.C. Congress opening here next Saturday.

One I.O.C. member being tipped as his possible successor — Count Jean de Beaumont of France — was due to arrive in Munich yesterday. Another, Ireland's Lord Killanin, is expected in a few days time.

KHARTOUM (AP). — Sudan is to hold its first general elections since President Jaafar Numeiri came to power in a coup over three years ago, an official statement announced yesterday.

Voters will elect a Peoples Council which will meet in October to prove a permanent constitution for the country. The Council, in which Cabinet ministers will sit ex-officio, will have 207 members. The 32 "national constituency" members will be appointed by Numeiri and the rest elected through regional constituencies and peoples organizations.

Poling will take place between September 22 and October 4 under the supervision of a 20-man committee headed by the Deputy Secretary General of the Socialist Union, Sudan's only political party. The Council will sit for a maximum period of six months, but Numeiri is empowered to dissolve it and elect another one within 60 days.

Saudi C.O.S. ends visit to Jordan

AMMAN (Reuters). — Lieutenant General Mohammed al-Shmeiri, Saudi Arabia Army Chief of Staff, left here yesterday for home after a 10-day official visit during which he inspected Saudi forces, stationed in Jordan since the Six Day War.

General Shmeiri, who was accompanied by a military delegation, met King Hussein and Jordanian Prime Minister Ahmed al-Lawzi. He also conferred with high ranking officers with whom he discussed cooperation between the two armies.

Proposal to stop church business with S. Africa

UTRECHT, Holland (Reuters). — The Central Committee of the World Council of Churches (W.C.C.), grouping over 250 of the world's Christian churches, opened a 10-day annual congress here yesterday.

The main issue at the meeting is a controversial recommendation that the Council and its member churches withdraw their investments from firms operating in southern Africa in an attempt to force them to cease their activities there.

The recommendation, by a council sub-committee on combating racism, aims at South Africa, Rhodesia, and Portuguese territories in Africa.

According to W.C.C. sources the investments concerned are small, but they said, if the affiliated churches followed the council's lead the economic impact could run into millions of dollars.

Clean-up in Djakarta

DJAKARTA (Reuters). — Fourteen women were forced to hold their ears and march under the blazing sun yesterday as part of a police crackdown on illegal vendors and destitutes in the Djakarta port area.

A port spokesman said the punishment was aimed at keeping them away from the area. Raids against prostitutes and destitutes in Djakarta are being stepped up before Indonesia's 27th independence anniversary on Thursday.

U.S. forest fires hit five states

SACRAMENTO, California (UPI). — At least a dozen major forest fires and hundreds of smaller ones burned thousands of acres in northern California, Idaho, Oregon, Utah and Nevada yesterday.

In the town of Shasta, California, 800 fire-fighters stopped flames along 30 per cent of the town's perimeter. Their work prevented a repeat of Friday's fierce blaze which ate its way into town, destroying 11 buildings and forcing a three-hour evacuation before the fire headed west into timber and bushland.

A blaze south of Boise, Idaho, blackened 60,000 dunams of grass and sagebrush. Within a 200 kms. radius of Boise, converted U.S. Air Force bombers dropped 300,000 litres of fire retardant chemical on Saturday.

At a 40,000-dunam fire in Oregon near the Idaho state line, the tankers were joined by helicopters carrying large buckets of water.

ISRAELI BYE IN DAVIS CUP PLAY

VIENNA (Reuters). — Israel yesterday drew a bye in Group A of next year's European Zone of the Davis Cup tennis competition.

Others in the group were drawn as follows: Austria v. Monaco; Finland v. Greece; Ireland v. Norway.

Total of 274 superstitions plague the modern Egyptians

By ALEX EFTY
CAIRO (AP). — If you are a virgin do not look into your mirror after sunset, lest you remain a spinster all your life. This is just one of the 274 prevalent superstitions plaguing modern Egypt, where 96 per cent of the rural population firmly believes in them.

These figures were compiled by the mass circulation Cairo newspaper "Akhhbar el Yom," which said there is a quack of sorts in every one of the country's 4,000 villages, selling talismans or advice to the gullible.

Townpeople are more sophisticated, but only slightly so, with 62 per cent being firm believers in some, if not all, of the Egyptian superstitions, the paper said.

Furthermore, the paper's superstitions analyst added, a recent survey revealed that 20 per cent of those frequenting zars, a kind of voodoo dance ceremony, were female university graduates.

A zar is conducted by a *codia*, an elderly or middle-aged woman who specializes in exorcising evil spirits. Those attending zar ceremonies, mainly women, dance for hours at a time to the frenzied beat of a tom-tom. Small domestic animals and birds are slain by the *codia*, who sprinkles their blood on the faces, arms and clothes of the dancers.

The dancers keep stomping and whirling until they fall down exhausted, whereupon the *codia* revives them with rose-scented water and blows into their ears, thus driving away the evil spirit possessing them.

Many of the superstitions have come down through the ages from as long as 6,000 years ago, when Egypt was ruled by the Pharaohs. But as old superstitions die away, or prove ineffective, new or amended forms take their place.

For example, there is the one known as *khaddak*, or shock, associated with that comparative newcomer to the Egyptian scene, the railway train. Women can frequently be seen lying between two railway lines, trembling in

fearful anticipation as they wait for an onrushing train to roar over their prostrate forms.

This exercise is believed to cure women of sterility, sending them rushing for consolation into the arms of their beloved, after the shock they just lived through.

The quack, who according to "Akhhbar el Yom" can be found in every village, thrives on proffering such varied advice as what should be done by a virgin who inadvertently looked into a mirror after sunset, or how a man can be made to divorce his second wife.

The latter is apparently achieved by obtaining the tooth of a dead person, grinding it and spraying the powder on the threshold of the second wife's house.

Berlin clash on 11th wall anniversary

WEST BERLIN (Reuters). — West Berlin police yesterday used tear gas and truncheons to disperse several hundred left-wing youths who tried to block a right-wing protest march against the building of the Berlin border wall 11 years ago yesterday.

Several young people and one policeman were injured.

Earlier, West Berlin Governing Mayor Klaus Schuette denounced the wall as inhuman at a wreath-laying ceremony at the memorial for the "Victims of Stalinism," while East Berlin yesterday said the wall was a step towards peace and renewed its offer of good neighbourly relations with the West.

Mayor Schuette and other speakers at the ceremony said there were still shootings at the wall. Mr. Schuette said the wall had not lost its inhuman character since it was built on a Sunday 11 years ago to stem the exodus of East Germans to the West.

But, he added, political ways had been found to help remove at least its worst effects — a recent four-year power Berlin agreement which opened the wall for the first time in many years on a permanent basis on June 4.

Cholera rumours in North Africa

MADRID (Reuters). — The Spanish Foreign Ministry said yesterday that authorities in the Spanish enclave of Melilla, on the north Moroccan coast, had barred some Moroccans from entering the city after rumours of cholera cases in parts of North Africa.

"There are rumours of cholera cases in Algeria and Morocco and the Spanish authorities in Melilla have been requesting vaccination certificates until these rumours have been confirmed or denied," a spokesman for the Foreign Ministry said.

This was the only reason Moroccans had been refused entry into the Spanish port which Spain has occupied since 1497, he said.

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Explorer-46 will check space data

WASHINGTON (AP). — The National Aeronautics and Space Administration headquarters reported yesterday the successful launch of a satellite designed to collect data on spacecraft hazards from minute particles which fly through space.

The space agency said the meteoroid technology satellite blasted off from Wallops Island, Virginia, yesterday morning.

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Spassky gets second medical postponement

YKJAVIK (UPI). — World chess champion Boris Spassky yesterday postponed the 14th game against Bobby Fischer on medical grounds, match doctor said.

This was the second time Spassky had been postponed under the rules, which allow him a total of three postponements provided a medical certificate is issued. The first was Sunday, July 30, when the game was postponed because Spassky had a head cold.

The 14th game was rescheduled for 7 p.m. Israel time tomorrow.

After his call on the Russian champion, Dr. Ulvar Thordarson directed the following letter to Lothar Schmid, the German arbiter:

"I, the undersigned, have today at 12:30 examined Boris Spassky, who does not feel well. I have on

medical reasons advised him not to play the scheduled game today."

Schmid said the doctor refused to disclose the nature of Spassky's illness "because of the many rumours that flew around the last time he was ill."

Spassky suffered a crushing defeat in Friday's adjourned game, the 13th, which gave Fischer a commanding 8-5 lead, 4.5 points short of winning the world title as the first American.

U.S. sources said Fischer had not yet been informed. Fred Cramer, Fischer's aide and vice president in the International Chess Federation (FIDE), said "We learned about Mr. Spassky's illness through the Icelandic grapevine."

"I'm surprised they (the Russians) won't even give the reason this time. Perhaps Spassky wants to spend a little time talking to his wife, not having his mind on chess. I don't think the Icelandic climate is bugging him any more than it does Bobby."

"Bobby did not mention the possibility of a postponement. The last time we all knew it was coming, but this latest bug really caught us by surprise," Cramer said.

"It seems a pity Spassky is ill again because the organizers had hoped for another big crowd today," arbiter Schmid said.

French missile firm to return Beirut payment

BRUT (Reuters). — A French missile company has agreed to return \$3 million to Lebanon for missiles which were never used, Prime Minister Saeb Saeed announced here.

The Thomson-C.S.F. company and Lebanese Government had solved a dispute involving a \$6 million contract for Crotale (rattle) ground-to-air missiles, the minister said.

The two parties have now agreed Thomson-C.S.F. will return the \$3 million (\$2.7 million which Lebanon had already paid, but the Lebanese will pay \$6 million) to the company as a friendly settlement.

ND. — A fund-raising campaign for Palestinian refugees will be held in all Malaysian mosques on Friday, Palestine Day, the secretary of the National Council Islamic Affairs, Dato Hajj Ismail Panjang Aris, said in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

Protest ban in Cape Town area

PRETORIA (Reuters). — Justice Minister Petrus Pistorius has imposed a two-year ban on any protests or demonstrations in a central area of Cape Town against any action or contemplated action by the state or government.

The ban was announced through the government gazette, and took immediate effect.

No reason was given for the ban, but observers here said it may be a result of an announcement by students at the University of Cape Town that they planned to demonstrate by standing on a wall alongside one of Cape Town's main highways, De Waal Drive.

Valdheim asks halt on nuclear weapons tests

UNITED NATIONS (Reuters). — Secretary-General Waldheim called yesterday for a moratorium on all nuclear weapons tests pending a final comprehensive ban by international agreement.

A wider discussion of disarmament among all states is also of great concern, he said, in the introduction to his annual report to the General Assembly published while he was in the middle of an official visit to France, to take part in the 1972 Disarmament talks.

Dr. Waldheim said the arms race neither been halted nor slowed total arms expenditure had risen to an annual rate of 1,000 million dollars.

The Secretary-General welcomed the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty concluded between the United States and the Soviet Union in Moscow last May "as a first step in efforts to curb the arms race."

What is now required is the necessary political decision to enter a final comprehensive test ban agreement. Pending such an agreement, a moratorium on all nuclear weapons tests would be most desirable, he said, he welcomed the "balance of prudence" among the great powers, but warned them it was an outdated idea to believe they could keep world peace in concert and ignore the wisdom and importance of smaller states.

At a time when the Security Council was becoming more representative of power realities in the world, he said, it was strange that there was "a certain unwillingness to involve the U.N. in the reconciliation of some conflicts."

The international community obviously should welcome direct contacts between states in the search for solutions, "but when long-standing conflicts create vast humanitarian problems and may affect the peace and security of all mankind, the U.N. should surely be involved in the attempt to settle them," Mr. Waldheim said.

The process of detente among the great powers was encouraging and an historical development of the highest importance, he said.

He coined the phrase "balance of prudence" to describe "the evident decline of the readiness of great powers to confront each other, the tendency to downgrade the military aspect of power in their relations, and the discernible emergence of an era of negotiation, dialogue and contact."



LUNCHTIME — Milton, one of the two musk oxen President Nixon presented to China, is given some food by his keeper, Mrs. Ou Wang Kan, at Peking Zoo. Milton arrived in Peking with a skin rash, which was cured with several baths in Chinese herbal medicine. (AP radiophoto)

Nepal arrests 4 opposition leaders

KATMANDU (AP). — The Nepal Government early yesterday arrested four leading members of the national assembly in an apparent crackdown on mounting political opposition in the Himalayan kingdom.

The four taken into custody shortly after midnight were among the most vocal critics of Prime Minister Kirti Nidhi Bista's 16-month-old government. The arrests were reported without comment by Rashtriya Samasamar Samiti, the official national news agency.

The most prominent was Surya Bahadur Thapa, a former prime minister, who on Saturday helped organize a public political symposium at which he vehemently attacked Bista for alleged inefficiencies and called for his removal.

The arrests came significantly

after there had been official hints that Nepal might undergo some limited political liberalization under the guidance of King Birendra, the 26-year-old Harvard- and Eton-educated monarch who came to power last January on the death of his father, Mahendra.

There was no indication whether Bista had consulted Birendra about the arrests, or whether the prime minister had taken action on his own in an attempt to eliminate his strongest opposition within the national assembly, the Rashtriya Panchayat.

In recent months, Bista's opponents have accused his government of failing to check rising prices, of acting too slowly to meet a food shortage in parts of the country

and of attempting to suppress political and press freedoms.

On Friday, several Katmandu newspapers were published with blank editorials to protest Bista's policies, and students at Nepal's only university began an indefinite strike on a variety of issues. Foreign issues have not figured in the latest controversies.

All that and freedom too

SACRAMENTO, California (Reuters). — An heiress who had supported her husband and their five children during their 20-year marriage was granted a divorce here — and ordered to pay her husband \$2,500 a month alimony.

Grounds for the divorce were irreconcilable differences.

In addition, the heiress, Mrs. Nancy O'Neill, will hand over a substantial part of her property under a settlement agreement. Mr. James O'Neill will receive \$30,000 a year as long as he and his ex-wife live, even if he should remarry. If Mrs. O'Neill dies, he will have an income of \$1,688 a month from the estate for the rest of his life.

In addition, Mr. O'Neill will keep one of the two family homes, a Ford Thunderbird, 3,000 shares of General Foods stock, securities in two brokerage accounts, interest in a building company and two investment companies, membership of two country clubs and \$175,000 in life insurance policies.

Mrs. O'Neill will have custody of their two daughters and Mr. O'Neill will keep their two sons. One older daughter is married.

Mrs. O'Neill's father, Mr. Edwin Perkins, founder of a soft drink (Kool-Aid) fortune, died in 1963, leaving an estate of more than \$50 million, the bulk of which went to his widow and daughter.

U.K. scientists' plea for Soviet chemist

MOSCOW (UPI). — A group of British scientists, including one Nobel prizewinner, is sponsoring an appeal seeking permission for Soviet chemist Benjamin Levich to emigrate to Israel, sources said yesterday.

Levich, 55-year-old corresponding member of the Soviet Academy of Sciences and considered one of the Soviet Union's highest-ranking scientists, applied to emigrate in March.

In June he was told the application had been turned down. No explanation was given, the sources said.

He was forced to turn down an offer of a visiting professorship in electrochemistry at Oxford University and refused permission to attend a meeting of the International Society of Electrochemists, of which he is vice president, in Stockholm later this month.

The British scientists include Royal Society members Derek Barton, who won the Nobel prize for chemistry in 1969, and Sir Frederick Dainton.

The sources said they would attempt to get as many signatures as possible on the appeal, which would be published in scientific journals that circulate in the Soviet Union.

The sources said the sponsors hoped the appeal would bring sufficient pressure on Soviet officials to allow Levich to leave.

Levich was dismissed from the chair of chemical hydrodynamics at Moscow University when his two married sons applied to emigrate earlier this year. When he submitted his own application, he also lost his job as head of the theoretical section at the Electrochemistry Institute.

A report on Dr. Levich published in yesterday's "New York Times" says that "his case is typical of those of a number of highly qualified Jewish intellectuals who are being held here while thousands of less qualified Soviet Jews are being allowed to emigrate — in a remarkable reversal of Soviet policy over the last two years."

RESPECTED SCIENTIST

The "Times" says he was one of the Soviet Union's most respected scientists, a trusted member of the prestigious Academy of Sciences.

"Today, he is an embattled man. He has lost one job and been demoted from another," the "Times" says.

"His 26-year-old son Evgeny, an astrophysicist with a developing international reputation, has been found by the medical institute hospital to be suffering from chronic stomach ailments and high blood pressure. But Soviet authorities have been making a persistent effort to induct him into the armed forces as a reserve officer, though he had none of the prerequisite training."

"Lifetime academic and personal friends now shun Dr. Levich and his family. It's amazing how magically you are transformed into a pariah, a non-person," his wife, Tanya, explained in flawless English. "Ben cannot get his scientific papers published even though he has published many before. He receives no invitations to the scientific meetings he used to attend. His university seminar is shut down. Other scholars are told they must not refer to his published works in their own papers or they will be held up."

Australia, Austria 'aided Yugoslav terrorist band'

BELGRADE (AP). — Dzemal Bijedic, Premier of Yugoslavia, yesterday charged that Fascist-terrorist groups penetrated Yugoslavia this summer were encouraged by tolerance of Australia and Austria to perform their attack on Yugoslavia.

Yugoslavia announced in July that 19 members of a well-armed group of terrorists were destroyed in the mountains of Bosnia. During the action against the group 13 Yugoslavs were killed.

Speaking at a mass meeting in Bosnia, near the place where the terrorist group was active, Bijedic said:

"I consider it my duty to inform you that a large number of terrorists from that group and their leaders enjoyed the hospitality of Australia, with which our country maintains regular diplomatic and other relations. On the soil of Australia there exist bases, training camps, arsenals of arms and guerrilla materials for criminal activities against Yugoslavia. Because of the long-time unhindered activity of that and similar Fascist-terrorist bands, because of the many unpunished crimes which were not prevented by Australian authorities, terrorists were encouraged to enter this adventure."

"The soil of neighbouring Aus-

Zanzibar will try 63 for killing leader

ZANZIBAR (Reuters). — The Zanzibar leader, Mr. Aboud Jumbe, announced that 63 people will be tried for alleged involvement in the assassination of his predecessor, Sheikh Abedi Karume, last April.

Mr. Jumbe told a mass rally that 410 people had been detained in the wake of the killing of Sheikh Karume. There was sufficient evidence to prosecute 63 of them, he said.

VIOLENCE. — Paris taxis are to be fitted with emergency flashing lights and sirens in a move to combat increasing violence against the drivers — more than 30 have been killed in their cabs since World War II.

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Capital and Reserves	45,733,250	43,344,703	Investments	266,229,237
Life Insurance Fund	154,129,217	136,651,575	Fixed Assets	27,841,037
General Insurance Fund	60,595,008	61,835,263	Other Assets	66,338,203
Claims Outstanding	57,031,432	50,063,100		
Other Liabilities	42,855,870	34,450,193		
	360,408,577	315,908,733		

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	£	Preceding Year
Premiums in Life Assurance	22,611,875	17,421,839
Premiums in General Insurance	110,165,056	100,933,609
Profit in Life Assurance	1,224,130	1,139,333
Profit (Loss) in General Insurance	1,523,928	(430,145)
Profit from Investments less Expenses not included in Revenue Accounts	6,715,404	6,015,836
Profit before Appropriations	9,483,462	6,784,824

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INSURANCE BUSINESS AND PROFITS FOR THE YEAR 1971

	IL	Preceding Year
Premiums and Registration Fees in General Insurance	3,251,096	1,818,491
Loss in General Insurance	414,765	55,130
Profit from Investments less Expenses not included in Revenue Accounts	36,041	2,386
Net Loss	378,724	52,304

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES IN ISRAEL AS AT 31.12.1971

	IL	Preceding Year
Liabilities in Israel	1,862,349	785,000
Approved Investments in Israel	1,097,937	919,000
Surplus or Deficit (-)	264,382	194,000
Unapproved Investments in Israel	65,241	4,000

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Capital and Reserves	2,717,802	2,325,631	Investments	16,464,403
General Insurance Fund	5,644,932	6,049,989	Fixed Assets	15,436
Claims Outstanding	6,394,303	6,274,433	Other Assets	2,166,166
Other Liabilities	3,887,018	2,979,041		
	18,644,055	17,687,094		

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	£	Preceding Year
Premiums in General Insurance	11,125,415	8,850,302
Profit (Loss) in General Insurance	387,016	(329,578)
Profit from Investments less Expenses not included in Revenue Accounts	487,155	617,397
Profit before Appropriations	834,171	288,519

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INSURANCE BUSINESS AND PROFITS FOR THE YEAR 1971

	IL	Preceding Year
Premiums and Registration Fees in General Insurance	1,793,317	1,215,354
Loss in General Insurance	93,072	13,567
Profit from Investments less Expenses not included in Revenue Accounts	35,921	2,000
Net Loss	27,151	11,567

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES IN ISRAEL AS AT 31.12.1971

	IL	Preceding Year
Liabilities in Israel	419,870	269,000
Approved Investments in Israel	500,085	372,000
Surplus	80,215	103,000
Unapproved Investments in Israel	30,959	—

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'Hot air' engine in the works

By STEPHEN H. WILDSTROM
DETROIT (AP)—The Ford Motor Co. announced last week that it has signed an agreement with the Philips company of Holland to develop "hot air" engines for automotive, industrial and marine use.

The "hot air" engine — properly called a Sterling cycle engine — uses alternately heated and cooled gases to push pistons back and forth. The engine uses an external burner to heat a contained gas. As the gas is heated, it expands and pushes against a piston. After completing the power stroke, the gas is cooled, then preheated for use again.

Standard internal combustion engines use expanding gases as their power source, but unlike the Sterling engine, they burn their fuel inside the cylinders, leading to pollution problems.

The Sterling engine is similar to a steam engine, but unlike it, has no liquid to be boiled and reliquified. A Ford spokesman said the Philips Sterling engine is much smaller and simpler than a steam engine of comparable power.

Ford said it has agreed to a seven-year programme with Philips. In the three-year first phase Philips will build prototype engines for testing by Ford. Financial details of the agreement were not disclosed.

CLERGYMAN'S IDEA

The Sterling engine was invented in the early 19th century by a Scottish clergyman, the Rev. Robert Sterling. Although it theoretically is capable of greater efficiency than any other type of engine, it has never been developed to the point of practicality. Philips has been conducting research on the engine since 1938.

The current Philips prototype uses four cylinders arranged in a circle. The cylinders transmit their power to a driveshaft through a circular "swash plate," which replaces the crankshaft of a conventional engine. The engine can run on virtually any burnable fuel.

Ford said Philips laboratory tests indicate that the Sterling engine has potential for very low exhaust emissions and low noise levels. It also promises greater fuel economy than conventional engines, Ford said.

Better bus ventilation

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV.—The Dan Cooperative is to use an improved ventilation system in most of the 150 buses it will introduce into service this year, a spokesman said recently. The new system will bring cool air into the body of the bus and draw out the hot air, making rides more comfortable for passengers. It is not an airconditioning system, however, it was stressed.

Another innovation is a larger windshield for the driver, assuring better vision, especially of children crossing immediately before a stationary bus. The present aluminum strip flooring will be replaced by P.V.C. floors which are smoother to walk on. The improvements add about IL10,000 to the cost of a bus. If the new ventilation system proves itself, it will be installed in all 900 Dan buses, the spokesman said.

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CAR PAGE
Edited by ERNIE MEYER

2,101 road casualties in July

The 2,101 road casualties for the month of July is the highest monthly figure registered since the establishment of the State, the Central Bureau of Statistics reports. It represents an increase of 19 per cent over June, when there were 1,910 casualties. The number of deaths fell from 58 to 51. The latter figure includes the 10 persons killed when an Egged bus collided with a lorry on the Gaba Road near the Ra'anana intersection on July 24.

The number of accidents with injuries increased nine per cent over June, from 1,304 to 1,423.

Comparing last month with July, 1971, the total number of accidents went up from 1,314 to 1,423; the number killed increased from 48 to 51, and those seriously injured increased from 324 to 353.

Another faithful Fiat



Jerusalem Post Reporter
A reader, Mr. Binyamin Haspel, of Herzliya, writes: "I read with great interest and no little emotion Ernie Meyer's report on the 'Faithful Fiat' — Elhan Perkins' 1937 Fiat Balilla — which appeared in your issue of July 31. The reason for my particular interest is the fact that I too am the proud possessor of a Fiat Balilla, but mine is two years older, since it dates back to 1935. My car is also in excellent condition but I must add that I maintain it as a hobby and not for daily use. Since I am a student of limited means I did not even renew its licence this year. But the above picture will testify to its condition."

Israel-Italy tractor pact

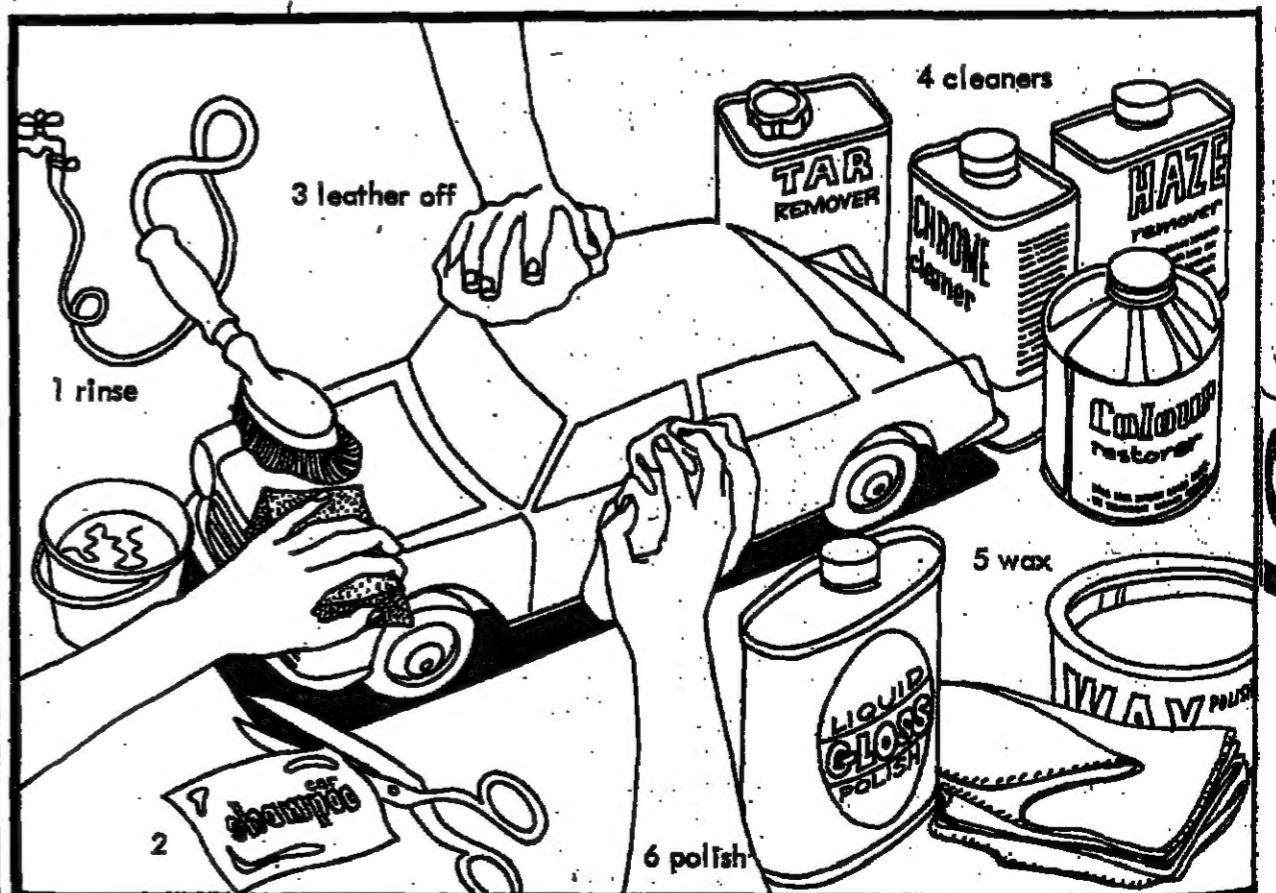
Jerusalem Post Reporter
A reciprocal agreement was recently signed between Israel and Italy providing for the movement of tractor-trailers of one country on the roads of the other. Initiated by the Transport Ministry the agreement will allow tractors carrying mostly agricultural products to be ferried to Trieste and thence to other destinations in Italy, the Ministry spokesman said. This will eliminate repeated on- and off-loading and reduce transport costs, he added.

Representatives of the Italian Government are expected to come to Israel in November to work out details of the agreement. The Israel mission which concluded the negotiations in Rome will go on from there to Vienna. It is hoped that the Austrian Government will sign a similar agreement with Israel. It is eventually planned to extend the scheme to other European countries too, it was announced.

No children in 'suicide' seat

AUSTRIAN legislators are considering a bill which would make it unlawful for children under 12 to occupy the front seat in a car beside the driver. The bill is designed to protect youngsters from the special dangers of the so-called "suicide" seat in case of collision.

The wisdom of a weekly wash



By JOSS JOSELYN

The fact that most of us don't like a dirty car is a good enough reason for the ritual of a weekly wash. But there is more to it than that.

The very air, particularly in towns, is full of things like carbon and sulphur dioxide. The rain when it falls is contaminated with chemicals and acids.

When your car is dirty, it has these nasty elements laying all over it. If you leave them there, they will start gnawing away at the paintwork. If you live at the sea, you have an extra enemy — the salt in the air.

All in all, washing the car regularly is a very good idea. Follow this with a really heavy coat of wax polish and your paintwork will stand up to the corrosive elements a lot longer.

Unfortunately there is no way to eliminate all the hard work. There is no real substitute for a good vigorous scrubbing all over with a good detergent. You can make things a bit easier by hosing the car first. The recommended way is to start at the bottom of the car — then you don't get detergent runs over the dirty part. This can be difficult to get out.

Shampoo

Use a proper shampoo. You can get away with using household detergents but the proper stuff is not expensive to buy and usually works well on most of the dirt deposited on the car.

I always find the job is easier if I use one of the soft-bristled, rubber-handled brushes specially made for the job. You can use this by hand with a bucket or sometimes you can put shampoo into the handle, which is hollow, and connect it to the hose.

You then get water and shampoo flowing as you brush. The trick is to make sure you use enough shampoo and even do the job twice if the car is very dirty.

If you want to avoid a blotchy finish, thorough rinsing is essential. Using a proper shampoo, you can get away with leaving a little behind. The shampoo contains some wax and polish and will not hurt the paintwork.

Leather The wet car to dry naturally, you can still get a streaky finish. The professional way is to dry it off with a leather, soaking all the drops and runnels of water and leaving it evenly damp.

At this stage, you must decide if

Compound

The same job can be done with "rubbing compound." This is a bit fiercer in action. Too many applications or too much rubbing in one place will result in the paint being rubbed right away and the primer underneath showing through.

The final stage will be polishing. You can buy polish in several forms — liquid or solid wax or silicone liquid. Generally liquids involve a lot less work and can even be applied from an aerosol.

Although more work is involved with the solid pastes many people believe a thicker coat of wax is applied and a deeper polish results.

There are many other products available for cleaning and polishing, such as black for the tyres, chrome polishes and protectors, window cleaners and solvents for tar spots.

(First Features)

Handwritten signature: Joss Joselyn

What about a quick little game of Scrabble?

By A. S. I. ACKER
Special to The Jerusalem Post

IF it is true, as the old Hottentot saying has it, that God doesn't count the hours a man spends playing Scrabble, I'm likely to live as long as Methuselah.

But it isn't worth it.

According to my rough calculations, I have played (if that is the right word) about 4,371 hours of Scrabble in the recent past, mainly against my sister, who is also mentally retarded. The same number of hours of paid labour would have enabled me to buy a zati, a zaba, a zibet, a sobo, feed them the best of hay and protect them from zimb and zebubs — an Abyssinian zym hurtful to cattle.

Or let me put it another way. If I had devoted the same number of hours to my further education I could have earned a Ph.D. in quipu, a mnemonic language of coloured and knotted strings used by the Incas of ancient Peru. I could have learnt to cook puzi, the edible lava of fruit flies. That could have been my contribution to the problem of worldwide undernourishment. At the very least it would have been a welcome addition to urva, succulent indehiscent fruits that have central placentas — whatever that may mean. I could have become an expert in the vougé, a weapon carried by foot soldiers in the Middle Ages. I might have made a fortune with it as a mercenary in the Egyptian army.

I could have learnt to play the zel and the koto — even though the latter has fourteen strings. With an adze and a saz I could have built a xyst, a covered patio used by athletes for their exercises. And I would have had time to exercise in it too. Then I wouldn't suffer from Scrabble belly.

Of course I never dreamt that it would lead to this, swollen queets, and the yuck you have to scratch even in company, that sad day, not so long ago when I was first hooked on the game (!) by my sister.

"Let's just have a quick game of Scrabble," said my sister. This is the typical behaviour of an addict turn-

Suffering from an inflamed vomer, swollen queets, intermittent yerking of the lower jaw, this Scrabble aficionado finds he's hooked for life.

ed pusher. "Just a quick little game." "I've heard about it," I said. "But I don't know exactly what it is." I was very innocent then, and how I wish I still were!

"Yo! Ho! Ha! Aha!" she exclaimed in surprise. "It's really very simple." I should have been warned by the way her hands quook (Spen-serian) when she picked up the letters. "Look, pick up seven letters. Like this, make a word with it, and put it down on the board. It's easy." She didn't say (she probably still doesn't know) that there are more than 5,000 ways of combining seven different letters. Most of such combinations, of course, are words in Basque, Zuni and Hungarian. The word "unhappy" looks at first glance rather like Erse. It isn't. And the letters can properly be rearranged to obtain the common English word for the large antelope of Hindustan — a nyghau. It is clear that one cannot think about Scrabble and other things too. A real "manliner" — one who injects Scrabble letters directly into the veins — shows marked personality changes in a very short time. He becomes anti-social, sullen, autistic. He abandons his business and rejects his family.

From four to six in the afternoon, and again from eight to ten in the evening, my sister and I sit locked across the Scrabble board chained in unbreakable bonds of sibling rivalry.

"Don't make a noise." This to any of our unfortunate children whose mournful faces reproach our implacable withdrawal. "Stop yerking about." "Well, I'm hungry."

"Must you stand there just now, yaffing like a snarling dog?" It's really a wonder all our children aren't urfs — as the Scots describe a stunted child.

We once tried to break the habit "cold turkey." My sister left the country for nearly a year. The withdrawal symptoms were most unpleasant: an inflamed vomer, swollen queets, intermittent yerking of the lower jaw, wintling when trying to stand and frequent bursts of senseless yaffing.

And all for nothing.

I could see the cry trembling on her lips as she got out of the taxi on her first day home: "What about a quick little game of Scrabble?"

In fact, you have to excuse me now. I've just got about ten minutes to study the dictionary in, before we have to start again.

Alas! Ha! O! Wo!



TOWER OF BEERSHEBA — Not another try at the Tower of Babel, but an annual student dormitory now going up at the campus of the University of the Negev. (I.F.P.A.)

Back from Baghdad — with portraits and landscapes

By ALIZA MORINI
Special to The Jerusalem Post

A BAGHDAD cafe scene in smokey greys and an impressionist style, and a vivid composition that seems at first abstract ("But look, in this corner you can see a girl walking through the Old City of Jerusalem...") the artist explains are two of the paintings in the first art exhibition ever held in Hebron. The one-man show of oils, water-colours, and drawings opened recently in a room at the Municipality. Sheikh Mohammed Ali Jabari, who always looks ready to pose for a Rembrandt portrait entitled "Arab Leader in White Headgear," established another first for a mayor of this conservative Moslem centre by buying one of the paintings.

The artist, 24-year-old Isam Badra, returned home to Hebron a month ago after a year's study at the Baghdad Academy of Art. "I'm returning this autumn for another three years, and then I hope to study in Europe," he told me, in English. "But I wanted my first exhibition to be here, where I was born."

Administrative turmoil mar the atmosphere of stately small-talk, enormous deference, excellent coffee and fruit and cucumbers.

That day the only wall-hanging in the mayor's office was a large tapestry of an oriental scene. But it will soon be joined by the Badra oils which he purchased. The subject is a traditionally-garbed Arab holding the reins of a prancing horse. The artist's friends at the exhibition could hardly wait to explain the meaning: "This symbolizes Arab imperialism trying to hold back the forces of the Arab revolution," I was told, in both Hebrew and English and with the friendliest possible of smiles.

On the day of our visit, incidentally, Sheikh Ja'abari also welcomed a delegation of Hebronites now living in Amman (they number about 30,000, I was told), who presented the Mayor with a long, sleek, new Chevrolet.

Manhunt in Spain

By WILLIAM O'HELYN JONES
MADRID (Ofms) —

SOMEWHERE in the rugged mountain area of the province of Seville in southern Spain there are three young men, two of them wounded by police bullets. Telling up the rocky, sun-scoured hillsides, 1,000 tough members of the paramilitary Guardia Civil, red-faced — and not only from the Andalusian sun — are still trying to find them, dead or alive.

The target of this manhunt is 26-year-old Eleuterio Sanchez Rodriguez, known to every Spaniard as "El Lute." With him are two brother bandits, and every loyal, right-thinking bourgeois citizen of General Franco's Spain hopes that the forces of law and order will capture these dangerous criminals.

Less loyal Spaniards make no secret of their admiration for the handsome, cleft-chinned bandit with the sad eyes. For El Lute is already a folk hero, the subject of several ballads written in the argot of his clan, the *Lengue Merchere*. If the

security police succeed in shooting El Lute — and it seems unlikely that they will ever take him alive — they will not so easily kill the legend.

The Guardia Civil, in their traditional tricorn hats and grey uniforms, founded in order to wipe out bandits in the years following the 1806-1814 Peninsular War. Today in the mountains of Seville their reputation for ruthless efficiency has received a nasty knock, and their officers are angry and frustrated.

They have all the training and equipment necessary for a successful manhunt, with helicopters scrutinizing possible hideaways, in constant radio communication with jeeps being machine-pistol and rifles.

El Lute is a *quinqui*. In Ireland, he would be described as a linker. Not a gypsy, but closely allied to them, the *quinqui* are second-class citizens, "white nomads" mostly illiterate, who cannot get a decent job even if they wanted one. They despise organized society, are natural rebels, and if they have any political affiliations would probably be described as anarchists. They have their own customs, their own dialect their own loyalties and are passionately clannish.

prison to appear as a witness in another *quinqui* trial in Madrid. (In Spain, crimes involving violence, even if no politics are concerned, are tried by military tribunals.) Heavily guarded and handcuffed, El Lute hurried himself from the express train transporting him to the capital.

He was recaptured after a motorcycle accident in which he broke his arm and locked up in one of Spain's top security prisons, in Puerto de Santa Maria. There in four years he learned to read and write, and also kept himself fit with physical exercises. He also obtained, or made, a length of rope.

On New Year's eve, 1970, there was a party in the prison, and while the other inmates were singing and drinking wine, El Lute used his rope to drop over the wall. A guard spotted him and opened fire with a machine-gun. Although wounded in the shoulder El Lute swam the nearby river and made his getaway. He has not been recaptured since.

El Lute had a girlfriend, 25-year-old Consuelo Garcia — La Chelo — and by her he is reputed to have two sons, José Maria aged 10 and David aged seven, to whom he is devoted. La Chelo broke off her relationship with El Lute and last summer he defied police traps and kidnapped his two sons. Subsequently police found the boys and a court has returned them to their mother.

Despite numerous rumours and tip-offs, and the offer of a substantial reward, there was no trace of El Lute, but recently he made the mistake which led to the current manhunt. He tried to change some Swiss francs in a bank, and the manager recognized him and alerted the police.

Fame and fortune

Their only friends are the *gitanos*, the gypsies. Some Spanish gypsies achieve fame and vast fortune, usually as bullfighters and flamenco artists. For the *quinqui* their only hope of fame — of a sort — and riches, seems to lie in banditry.

El Lute's first clash with the police was when he was picked up as a small boy for stealing chickens. In May 1965 he and two friends were sentenced to death by a military tribunal in Madrid for "armed assault and banditry." A girl was sentenced to 12 years for sheltering them. General Franco later commuted the death penalty to 30 years' imprisonment.

The case concerned a raid on a jeweller's shop in Madrid, during which a night-watchman was shot dead. A few days later, when police were closing in on the bandits a seven-year-old girl was killed by a stray bullet — an incident which caused popular indignation. It transpired that the girl was almost certainly shot by a police bullet.

In 1968 El Lute was taken from

Forged cards

His fame is such that any sizeable haul from bank, office or jewellery shop tends to be attributed to him. Last month police traced his apartment in Malaga, on the Costa del Sol. There they found 12 million pesetas (about £2,000), jewellery, a collection of forged identity cards and photographs of his two sons.

Before he and his two brother bandits disappeared into the Seville mountains, he got away by a hair's breadth when police opened fire on his car. Inside the car bloodstained clothing indicated that two of the fugitives had been wounded.

Characteristic colour

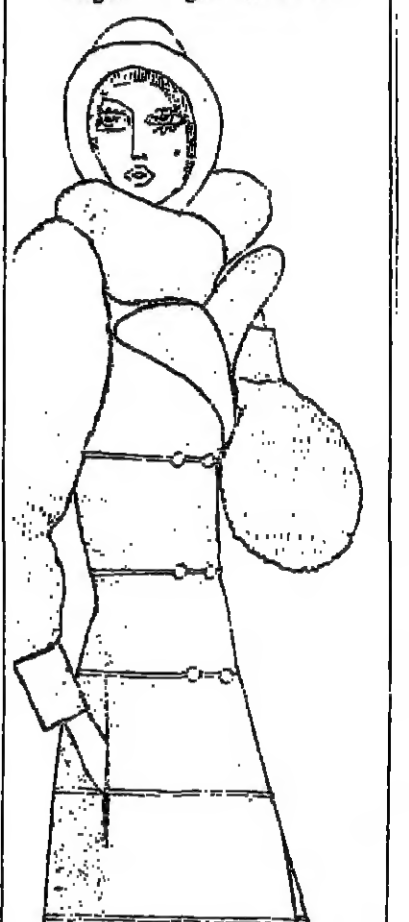
Somehow, it struck me that all this would have been much less likely six years ago. Perhaps for this reason — and because discussing palettes is easier than discussing politics — it was less of a problem to make conversation with the artist than is often the case at galleries. Badra uses a characteristic touch of orange in almost every painting, and I liked his colours. When I told him so, he said "In colour, I always got the best marks at the Academy."

Standing in front of a frame enclosing a sunlit house among trees, he said, "I did this in Bulgaria, on my way home." This painting was bought by Ruth Dayan, a guest of honour at the exhibition. I spoke with Abdul Salam of El-Asariya, a young journalist, broadcaster, publisher, and painter; he is one of the seven Arab artists whose group exhibition was held recently at the Tsavta in Tel Aviv. "But those who bought paintings were all Jews," he said to me. "Strict Moslem tradition, like strict Jewish tradition, forbids depicting figures."

Earlier, of course, we had paid our respects to Sheikh Ja'abari in his spacious, fan-cooled office, where neither jangling phones nor admin-

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New Italian law against hijacking

ROME (Reuters). — Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti and his cabinet have approved the text of a bill which will make airplane hijacking a specific offence under Italian law and carry prison terms of up to 21 years.

Until now, police and other authorities have had to rely on a variety of charges such as kidnapping and assault to bring a hijacker to justice.

However, under the bill, which will need parliamentary approval, a hijacker will face between seven and 14 years' jail if he tries to hijack a plane, and if either passengers or crew are hurt the penalty can go as high as 21 years.

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Internal Revenue Commissioner: Industry, banks making good profits, despite wailing

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent Profits in Israel rose by five per cent in 1970. As a proportion of turnover, this represents a slight decline, from 6.9 per cent in 1969 to 6.3 per cent, according to Mr. Moshe Neudorfer, Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

Figures are based on a study of 5 large companies, released yesterday. They represent almost half the country's output, so constitute a reliable indicator of general trends. In year 1970 showed a slowdown compared with 1969 when profits soared by almost a quarter. Preliminary figures for 1971 suggest that business gains have improved again, though no figures are given as yet. The companies in the survey, each with sales exceeding IL10m., achieved turnover of IL8,900m. in 1970, and net operational profits of 564m. Contrary to current predictions by the manufacturers, industry appears to have done well. Profits were 7-8 per cent of turnover, and over 20 per cent of own capital, during the years 1968-70.

Bankers did better still, earning 15 per cent on turnover. Industry and finance between them accounted for almost 80 per cent of the profit. In construction branch managed as well, because the big Histadrut-owned building firms actually showed losses in 1968 and modest gains thereafter. Figures are not yet available for 71, but it was said to be a good year again for industry. Profits of banks (up by 20 per cent in 69 and 12.5 per cent in 1970) relied by more than 50 per cent, partly on the August devaluation, according to Mr. Yosef Galbraith, head of research in the tax administration.

The fiscal authorities took IL185m. in 1970, or just over two-fifths of companies' taxable earnings. This is not (include personal income tax) over and above the 25 per cent deduction at source, payable recipients of dividends. Another 81.5m. of tax was waived under various concessions (approved enterprises, re-invested profits, etc.).

DIVIDENDS Dividends totalled IL185m., or 21 per cent of turnover. More than half the profits were retained in the companies — but not all for re-investment. Mr. Neudorfer pointed out that some of the money was kept in the banks because shareholders did not want to pay the high marginal income tax rates prevailing. A special Treasury committee keeps an eye on this practice, and forces the distribution of dividends in such cases. Accumulated losses from the past totalled IL435m., of which the authorities permitted IL63.5m. to be offset against current profits for tax purposes. Losses in 1970 (suffered by 10 of the companies in the survey) added another IL75m., leaving an accumulated deficit at the end of 70 of just under IL500m. Tax-deductible expenses — travel home and abroad, car expenses, entertainment and gifts — came to 32.3m., or 0.8 per cent of turnover (and 14.6 per cent of profit). Mr. Neudorfer was firm that, "despite what newspapermen say, most

Histadrut urges publication of tax assessments

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Central Committee yesterday adopted a motion urging the Government to publish the list of income tax assessments, as a means of boosting "tax payment morale."

Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, who has been calling for such a move, said that annual publication of the list would "put the self-employed person in the same position as the wage-earner."

Dissenting from the majority in favour of the motion were Central Committee members Hillel Seidel and Amos Degani. Uriel Abramowicz abstained.

'Open-drawer' gifts oil the wheels of European business

By DAVID HAWORTH BRUSSELS, (Otis). — THE revelation by a British Member of Parliament, Mr. Geoffrey Rhodes, that an attempt to bribe him had been made by an Italian businessman has occasioned nothing more than a shrug in European political and business circles. Mr. Rhodes said he had been asked to use his influence to get British European Airways and the British Overseas Airways Corporation to switch their custom away from Rome airport to another Italian airport — for a certain consideration.

He rejected the proposal out of hand but, by European lights, there was nothing unexpected or much out of the ordinary in what the Italian had tried to do. Discussing the problem of "kick-backs" a leading Belgian weekly straightforwardly admits that what might be an occasion for indignation in Britain would cause hardly more than a "so what?" among its own readers.

Doing the right thing for business assets on the Continent can amount to more than a bottle of whiskey and a Christmas card. This is not to say European business is riddled with unscrupulous opportunists. It is difficult to draw a distinction between "goodwill" and forms of bribery. All the same, it is as well for the outsider to know that European commercial ethics may differ from those elsewhere, and he should be prepared. For self-evident reasons, the examples which follow must remain authentic and happened recently.

FOREIGN TRADE BANK MERGING WITH EXPORT

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Preparations are almost complete for the merger of the Foreign Trade Bank and the Export Bank, it was announced jointly by the two banks here yesterday. They will form the First International Bank of Israel (F.I.B.I.). The new bank, it was said, will be based on the existing branches of the two banks, which will operate as heretofore. The Meyer group, which owns the Export Bank, will hold shares in F.I.B.I. Holdings, the holding company of the First International Bank.

Control of the Foreign Trade Bank was acquired over a year ago by the Government from the Central Trade Group. It aroused controversy at the time due to the high price paid. Banking circles yesterday gave out that this merger was part of the wider scheme envisaged by the Ministry of Finance for setting up a large, new banking house in which an American financial group would join together with the Manufacturers Association's Industrial Bank. At the time it was planned to become as large as Bank Leumi, the country's biggest banking concern.

Israel banning dentifrice with hexachlorophene

Jerusalem Post Reporter Hexachlorophene, a strong disinfectant, especially effective against staphylococcus bacilli, is being phased out as an ingredient in toothpaste and other preparations, it is learned from public health circles.

Israel is following the lead of U.S. health authorities, who have found that the use of hexachlorophene may be injurious to brain cells. It is stressed, however, that no evidence of such damage has been found here.

Manufacturers have a few months grace period to discontinue the use of hexachlorophene in their products.

Tourists to Holland put off by 'hippies'

By HENRIETTE BOAS AMSTERDAM. — Porcelaine Fles, the largest manufacturer of the so-called "Delft blue" porcelain, complains of considerable financial losses last year which it ascribes to the mass presence of hippie tourists in Holland.

Porcelaine Fles souvenirs, such as small windmills and ties, have always been eagerly bought by tourists, in particular from the U.S. The losses it complains of are not caused by any vandalism on the part of the hippies, but the fact that the ever-increasing presence of hippie tourists in Amsterdam has deterred visits by the better-class type of tourists.

Hippie tourists are usually not interested in souvenirs, even if they have the money. Thus the souvenir industry suffers from their presence, however innocuous most of them may be. The company says in its 1971-72 report.

400,000 NIGHTS The souvenir industry is not the only one to complain. In the last few years, a number of new first-class hotels have been opened in Amsterdam — and a few others are in the process of construction. Though the number of tourists who spent one or more nights in Amsterdam during the first six months of this year was 706,203, or 37,581 more than in the corresponding period of last year, hotels were not filled to capacity.

A report by the Amsterdam Tourist Office (V.V.V.) for 1971, which has just been published, states that if Amsterdam hotels are to reach the same degree of occupancy as in preceding years, tourism must increase by over 400,000 nights.

There are flats and holidays or — in some cases — money paid into the account of a girlfriend. The successor to a purchasing director of a large Belgian company who died suddenly of a heart attack found in his predecessor's desk a drawerful of notes. "These moneys, it turned out, had been contributions to the company 'sports club'."

It is well known, too, that some engineers — the men who have the final say in highly technical

Movement seen in Elite strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Elite management and Histadrut representatives ended a four-hour meeting here yesterday with a statement that the stalemate in the three-week-old Elite strike was "a little bit shaken."

The two sides, which had been meeting with Labour Ministry labour relations chief Gideon Ben-Yisrael, agreed on the idea of a committee to set base salaries for men and women at Elite plants before the end of the year. But they did not settle on what advances should be paid on these salaries in the meantime. However, both management and Histadrut said they would reconsider the matter before their next meeting — which has not yet been set, but will probably take place Tuesday or Wednesday.

At the opening of yesterday's session, Food Workers Union secretary Eliezer Bar Haim said the workers would abide by the Supreme Court's ruling on their appeal against a District Court order barring them from interfering with the removal of Elite merchandise from warehouses. The Supreme Court will hear the appeal tomorrow.

Stolen securities for rent by U.S. Mafia

NEW YORK (UPI). — The U.S. businessman with a company in trouble so bad it can't stand an audit has a friend. His local Mafia capo may be willing to rent him some stolen securities to pad his assets temporarily.

Of course, the rental fee will be stiff and, thereafter, the helpful hoodlum will have something on him to use for blackmail. The availability of stolen securities for rent has been known to police for some time. It was made public by the American Insurance Association after Mr. Daniel Mullane, Security Director of the Wall Street firm Loeb, Rhoades Co., told the insurance people that underworld characters are getting to be more knowledgeable about securities than even Wall Street workers.

Some criminals are better trained than exchange-house employees or the people in the securities departments of banks and loan companies, Mr. Mullane said. They are able to steal stocks and bonds and sell or use them as loan collateral with relative impunity, even though the actual methods are complex and sophisticated.

The mushrooming growth of the securities business in the 1960s is the reason Wall Street and bank workers are inequally trained to cope with the organized thieves, he said. Most of the actual stealing is done by clerical workers in brokerage houses and banks. They are bribed or coerced by the racketeers and paid only pittance, he claimed.

The stolen securities are rarely sold in New York. The racketeers prefer to dispose of them abroad, but also find it easy to palm them off on banks and investors in the American bondcocks and in Canada, according to Mr. Mullane.

Good domestic customers for stolen securities, he said, include building contractors who buy them at a discount and put them up as collateral on performance bonds. The chances of being caught at this are slim, he said.

Many of the looted bonds and stock certificates are simply put up as collateral for loans at banks. The bank discovers it has been had when the loan becomes due and the borrower has vanished, he noted. But the racketeers often resort to more devious methods such as obtaining false identification to match the names on stock certificates and opening an account in a brokerage house to sell them. Although he admitted the thieves still are on the long end of the score, Mr. Mullane said some progress has been made in dealing with them.

Price seen as \$8m. - \$10m. Gov't to sell its shares in Paz Oil Company

By DAVID KRIVINE, Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent One-third of Paz Oil Company shares are likely to change hands before long, for an expected price of \$8m.-\$10m. Seller is the Israel Government, and the transaction will be privately arranged, informed circles reveal.

Demand is keen for what is considered a first-class stock. Celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, Paz (formerly owned by Shell) supplies practically half of Israel's internal demand for oil and petroleum products, effectively controlling the market, jointly with Delek and Sotol.

The Government's holding could not be offered before, because another portion of the stock had been on the market. A foreign shareholder, also having one-third ownership, was divesting himself of his oil securities and recently completed the sale of his Paz shares to the West European Petroleum Trading Group. The third partner in Paz is Sir Isaac Wolfson.

There are differences of view as to the disposal of the Government's stock. Treasury circles would like to make it available to existing foreign-owned investment companies like the Israel Corporation or Israel Investors, to offset the more risky placements in their portfolios. Another opinion is that Paz should go public, to secure a stock exchange price for what the Government has to offer.

The third view is that Paz should seek a foreign buyer who has a strong position in the petroleum business and plenty of technological know-how. This latter view shows signs of prevailing, taking into account that Israel would perhaps have to withdraw from the Sinai oilfields in a settlement with Egypt. Looking ahead, the authorities are concerned to build up a secure standing for this country in the field of oil supplies.

Paz dividends topped IL5m. in the last financial year. It is known that half the company's gains are ploughed back into the firm, so profits probably exceeded IL10m., on a turnover (excluding subsidiaries) of IL500m., and own capital of IL90m. The balance sheet total was IL180m., and the company supplies practically all its own working capital. Development projects under way in 1972 come to IL11m., all

financed from reserves and amortization funds. Headed now by Mr. Moshe Bitan, former Assistant Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, Paz is forward-looking, has a hand among other things, in an investment company, an aviation fuel supply company, a bunkering company and a tanker company. It plans this year to open its first two cafeterias in petrol stations, jointly with the Lex Company (of Britain). And it is equal partners with Et Al and Sotop Industries in creating a mobile information service for tourists by radio transmitter.

For \$10 a week, visitors will hire a transistor which tunes in to the nearest broadcasting station (of which there will be fifty, spread over the country) — bearing the same name as the company. Tourist static systems about tourist sites. The service will start operating in the next tourist season, officials say.

IRAQ starts beer exports BAGHDAD (Reuters). — Iraq has exported beer for the first time. It was announced here yesterday. The Iraq News Agency said the Iraqi Trade Centre in Damascus had sold a quantity of Iraqi-produced beer worth 15,000 dinars (£17,400). It quoted a Ministry of Economics spokesman as saying the first consignment — about 21,000 litres — was delivered yesterday. Iraqi beer produces about seven million litres of beer a year.

NAME CHANGE. — Shaham-Levinson-Eylon Ltd., one of the country's biggest public relations agencies, has changed its name to Hagal-Levinson-Eylon Ltd. The change follows the withdrawal of Mr. David Shaham from the business he helped found and his replacement by Hagal Bar-Cochba, who has been a senior partner in the firm for the past decade.

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MERCY FOR THE MERCILESS

By EFERAIM KISHON

The public has been told that units of the Border Police were recently transferred from peaceful Gaza Strip to violent Tel Aviv to defend the local banks and the foreign tourists, and the public remain quite unruffled. Everything's as it should be, apparently, as long as that dangerous man Lansky is out of the way. The Press has now come up with two regular features: "What, Where, Who's been Robbed?" and "Rape Corner," and everything's under control, and Follow the Sun to Sodom!...

Extremely funny. It wasn't always like that. It's just these last couple of years that the underworld has discovered how our over-privileged society is too weak to defend itself, and the light stays on green green. Three men assault a girl of 13, beat, torture, and rape her brutally and turn her into a cripple for life. In court, the accused gentlemen are going to plead that the police intimidated them; lawyers will present formal objections to His Honour and demand fresh medical observations, following which all the psychologists, sociologists and criminologists of a stupid society will come and for six months examine the monsters from every side, and in the end one of them will get two years, considering his clean record and the crowded condition of our jails, and the other two go free as state witnesses— and somewhere there lies in hospital a child of 13 whose heart has died.

Why don't they sentence rapists of little girls to 20 years' jail? Why not? WHY NOT? Last Tuesday they released on ILL,000 bail a couple of hoodlums who committed indecent acts on children—so they could go out and commit some more. They're making fools of themselves. A few weeks ago three young skunks broke into the apartment of a lonely old woman in Tel Aviv, stabbed, burnt, tortured, raped her all night with a sadistic cruelty beyond the grasp of imagination, then robbed her of all she had—the next day in the hallowed precincts of the law court the three were hawing in chorus with their hysterical relatives how their mamma's sick and they wanna go home. And the judge apologizes and consents out of humane considerations. The trio will be transferred to an institute for juvenile delinquents for a year, or maybe two. Because they are minors.

What the hell kind of circus is being put on here in the name of Law and Justice? Shulman says the alleged virgin cooperated willingly, and the four alleged sodomites, too, positively begging, before he attempted suicide, to be raped by the four of them one by one. And the judge is obliged to listen to it all gravely, and the lawyer takes exception on procedural grounds, and the police are going to be told off again for illegal means used, and a flow of appeals will come in, and a brilliant speech for the defence, and soon enough we'll see them on TV chatting gaily with their lawyers: my client, Your Honour, will present the Court with sworn credentials to prove mental disturbances, my client asks to be released on his own recognizance. A weak society and a weak regime. The longest-lasting Establishment on earth still hesitates to take off the kid-gloves, for fear that three-and-a-half journalists and progressive professors might lift an eyebrow, and our judiciary proceedings are gradually turning into a Parisian-style Stockinged bank robbers who fired their Uzis guns into a crowd argue for hours with the police representative in court as to whether they should be released for the duration of the inquiry.

Wherever we look we see signs of weakness: the Japanese who took part in the murder of dozens of people is sentenced to three months, or as long as it'll take to abduct a couple of Israelis in exchange. And then there's the sensational hit in the military court: Theres and Rima, the two punching Judges. Theres thought the explosive belt was an orthopaedic garment to ease her back-ache, whereas Rima never even knew they were hijacking a plane to begin with. And our sympathetic prosecutor gets to his feet and asks in his ringing voice: "In that case, Madam, would you kindly do us the favour to explain how you came to be in the possession of a hand-grenade?" What's this farce in aid of, for heaven's sake? The law isn't a merry-go-round, democratic legal procedure isn't a game of hide and seek. The Judges of Israel must put an end to this new festival. Anyone who rapes a child, a girl volunteer, a miserable old woman, will have to know that he's going to spend the best part of his life behind bars, together with the credentials about his mental instability and his sick grandma at home. If there is no such law, then it ought to be created fast. Because this isn't a wave of social, socially deprived or socially unadulterated horror. And it's not the police, border or otherwise, that are going to put a stop to it, and it's not the psychiatrists either. It's the law-courts and only them. It is up to the judges of Israel to wipe the smudges off those faces, it is our judges who must wake up at last. Doesn't any of them have a little granddaughter or a little son? My arrangement with "Marty" Translated by Miriam Arad



The things they say

My nomination ends discrimination against in-laws. Mr. Sargeant Shriver. If you want democracy, a little bit of inebriation must be accepted. Mr. Hugh Cabitt, leader of Westminster City Council. This is a great place to be on a diet. Whiskey and fish — nothing better. Mr. Ian Clarke, County Clerk of Zetland, Shetland, Islands. We always thought that Amin was a decent chap. After all he served in the British Army for more than 15 years. Whitehall spokesman. Our trouble is we are merciful to others and cruel to ourselves. Mr. Abraham Harich.

Uganda's embattled Asians

GENERAL Idi Amin's decision to expel some fifty thousand Asians, holders of British passports, from Uganda, has not come as a shock to Israel as it did to Europe. In the past four months, ever since relations were broken between Uganda and Israel, Amin has been charging Israel with anti-Ugandan plots, spying, treachery and he even declared that he knew for sure that Israel was going to poison the waters of the Nile.

In such a state of mind, Amin was capable of unreasonable acts. Ever since he overthrew Dr. Milton Obote, Amin has plunged Uganda into financial chaos. He needed money badly to re-equip his troops so that they would remain loyal to him. He appealed to Israel to grant him an urgent loan, which Israel could not afford to give. When Libya was willing to offer vast sums in a hurry, Amin turned against Israel and brought to a premature end the friendly ties that had marked Israel-Uganda relations since 1960.

However, the decision to expel the Asians, many of whose families have lived in Uganda for two and three generations, is in line with the desperate measures taken by Amin to save his regime and his country from total economic collapse. He is not the first to take such a step. Kenya expelled a large number of Asians a few years ago and Britain refused to receive many of them because of her current policy of limiting non-white immigration.

The expulsion order is an indication of the growing frustration of Amin and his efforts to divert attention from the many faults of his Government's mismanagement and pass the blame on to "non-Africans." Jews should feel sympathetic to the embattled Asians. They are being kicked out because they are aliens. Unfortunately they are not wanted anywhere, not even in the area from which their forefathers came — India and Pakistan, which have a surplus of white-collar workers. Britain has tried to reason with Amin, but he rudely refused even to receive a member of the Cabinet sent out especially to Kampala. We have yet to hear the reaction of India and Pakistan to the affair. The conference of 66 non-aligned nations, which ended in Guyana two days ago, had other, and to their mind, more important matters to take up. They castigated practically everyone but Amin for their sins. But no one spoke for the Asians whose plight is becoming more serious every day. Not only are they driven out of Uganda, but they cannot take their money out or sell their property at anything like its value. They, like many Jews before them, are leaving the country where they were born, penniless. All this is in the name of Africanization of the country. Amin's desire to see well-paying businesses moved into African hands, regardless of whether they will be adequately operated.

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BIR'IM AND IKRIT

On the issue of Bir'im and Ikrut, Davar (Histadrut) questions the wording of the Labour Party Central Committee resolution supporting the decision not to allow the villagers to return to their homes. The paper says that the Bir'im and Ikrut affair was not a question of confidence in the Government. There have been instances where a Cabinet decision was reconsidered. Those who thought that the Cabinet decision was wrong felt that there was nothing exceptional in their demand that it be reconsidered. On the other hand, the paper stresses, the Cabinet decision was legal and is binding on all concerned. This is not the appropriate time to raise the matter again. If the circumstances should change, the Government may reconsider its decision. She'arim (Agudat Yisrael) takes the view that the appeal of Hebron's mayor, Mohamed Ali Ja'abari, to the Prime Minister to allow the people of Bir'im and Ikrut to return home is the height of impudence. Sheikh Ja'abari knows that the hands of his townspeople are stained with Jewish blood. He does not ask that the Jewish inhabitants of Hebron who were driven out at the time of the riots be restored to their homes. The word "impudence," the paper concludes, barely expresses the disgust evoked by Sheikh Ja'abari's self-righteousness. Omer (Histadrut) believes that the views expressed at the Labour Party Central Committee reflect the whole spectrum of public opinion on the Bir'im and Ikrut issue. The paper stresses that a decisive majority supports the Cabinet decision. Ha'arets (non-party) and Hazkote (National Religious) discuss the possibility of a partial settlement on the Suez Canal. Ha'arets takes the view that Cairo is interested in renewing contact with Israel with a view to achieving a partial settlement, apparently out of disappointment with the Jarring mission and because the great powers are not backing the mission. The views voiced by American leaders seem to have influenced Egypt. If Egypt is prepared to be more flexible than formerly, Israel should do likewise. Israel has nothing to lose at this juncture, the paper writes, from talks with Egypt on a partial settlement. Moreover, if we can make some progress towards a partial settlement, it will be easier to dissuade international factors from interfering. Hazkote (National Religious) writes that U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers is convinced that a partial settlement would be the most acceptable solution, at least as a first stage. Mr. Rogers does not mention his own plan, but after the presidential elections, we must be ready for American proposals which clash with Israel's vital interests. Al-Quds (independent Arab daily) says that the crisis in Egyptian-Soviet relations has entered a critical stage. But, it asks, what is the use of recriminating press attacks from both countries. While Egypt had the legitimate right to demand the withdrawal of Russian personnel, the Soviets also had a legitimate right to react strongly when Cairo represented the Russian withdrawal as a victory for national liberation. Now that the Russians are out, Egypt should safeguard some of its friend's dignity, because it may still need friends, Al-Quds concludes.

Can it survive without France? Ivory Coast faces up to its problems

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast (UPI). — This is a country where the President feels he can take six-week vacations in Switzerland, come home, and still be president. The Ivory Coast's credit rating makes its neighbours envious. Most of the children in the Ivory Coast go to school. This is the land of peace and "dialogue," the promised land on west Africa's greenest shore. Yet when President Felix Houphouet-Boigny came back from his Swiss retreat a few months ago he found complaints brewing, most of them caused by moves in Paris, Washington and right next door.

The major problems the Ivory Coast must face are a sluggish economy, dependence on France, and the troubled and illusive dream of African unity in the face of superpowers vying for spheres of influence. These are not new problems, but now, after 12 years of political independence, the Ivory Coast and its equatorial neighbours must face up to them. Will they ever be able fully to deserve the name of a "nation" or will they forever be tightly dependent on foreign aid, world bank loans and imported technological know-how? "We are a sovereign country, and expect to be treated as such," says a Ministry of Information official. "We still need foreign investment," says the President. "If we leave, the whole communications network will collapse in two hours," says a French technician in the post office. And the Ivory Coast is West Africa's most advanced country.

Readers' letters

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: — I was shocked after reading your editorial "Senseless Conflict" in this morning's paper. Have you also hopped onto a political bandwagon? Your paper, which examined so carefully every word of my Open Letter published on July 6 in your editorial, overlooked reading every line of your editorial for the same result. I will comment on only three points: The flagrant aggression against truth in regard to Mr. Toledano and Mr. Alon has to be challenged. No political alignment justifies calumny. Never did Mr. Alon let the witnesses, or myself believe there could be any hope of returning. Never did he suggest that "their return was a foregone conclusion and needed only the return of Mrs. Meir." Never was he more encouraging in regards to their return than Mrs. Meir herself has been. While refuting loose statements not based on truth, I did not speak of appealing to the Vatican or other outside bodies. Please note your own front page story contradicting this part of your editorial. I find your use of words unfortunate: "the present attempt at violence" is hardly a description of the response of the people of Kfar Bir'im to the sight of armed border police coming in with clubs, helmets, and submachineguns as if going to war. The women and young girls were frightened, while the men were indignant at such an aggressive approach. Like you, we deplore having Ikrut and Kfar Bir'im used as a political football. Please don't use the same techniques yourself which you deplore so in your editorial, but rather use your daily forum to create peace and love, understanding and unity among all the people of Israel. JOSEPH M. ELYA, Archbishop of Galilee

Archbishop Raya replies

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: — There are certain points about our banking system and the Treasury or the Bank of Israel's regulations that do not seem to make sense. They leave one perplexed and annoyed. One receives a cheque drawn by a foreign bank (a banker's cheque) to one's order and wishes to deposit it into one's dollar account with a local bank. The cheque is drawn against the foreign bank's correspondent bank in Israel and is payable in Israel. The payee is well-known to his local bank with which he has excellent credit. The maker of the cheque is a bank of impeccable international repute. Nevertheless, the local bank refuses to credit the payee's account immediately "because of regulations." The cheque has first to be cleared, "through the Bank of Israel." The delay is anywhere from two to four weeks! (In contrast, if the cheque had been payable abroad by the foreign bank, the local bank would not have waited for clearing but would have given the payee immediate credit for same). Why this delay? Why should clearing through the Bank of Israel take longer than ordinary bank clearing? G. GLAZER, Tel Aviv, July 24.

FOREIGN CURRENCY CHEQUES

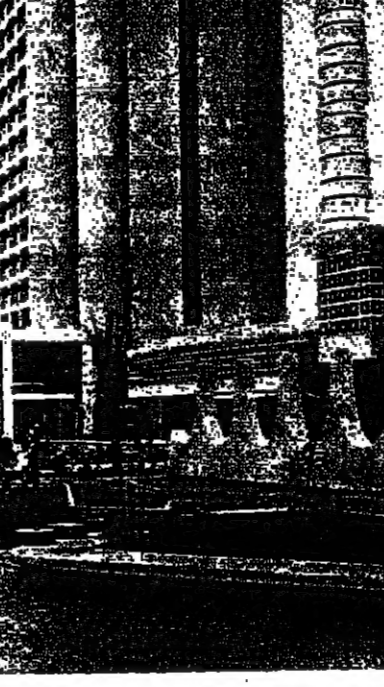
The Bank of Israel replies: Mr. B. Glazer implies that the delay in clearing a cheque in foreign currency is caused by the regulations of the Treasury or the Bank of Israel. At present, we do not know of any regulation which would cause such delay. The bank is not even required to clear cheques in foreign currency through the Bank of Israel. It is no doubt to the bank's advantage to delay the credit and we would therefore advise Mr. Glazer to enquire with the banks concerned, as to the reason for the delay. It is true that, according to the regulations, a local bank may not normally extend credit in foreign currency to a local resident, but this does not seem to be relevant to the case in question. RAMA SUTA, Press Officer, Jerusalem, August 2.

Cost of trucks

Houphouet-Boigny reduced the economic plight of his nation of five million to this: "In 1930, four tons of coffee allowed us to buy one truck. In 1970, we needed 15 tons to buy the same truck." The Ivory Coast produces one-third of the world's coffee, one-quarter of its cocoa and one-fifth of its tropical hardwood. But the prices for imported industrial and consumer goods have risen as fast as the prices for exported raw materials have fallen. Fully aware of these problems is a group of young educated Ivorians who see a discrepancy between the cost of their coffee and the price of a handkerchief," says a young banker. The Ivory Coast and all its neighbours, except Ghana and Liberia, were under French rule until 1960. The French Ambassador is the only diplomat who lives within walking distance of the President's sumptuous residence. Can the Ivory Coast survive without France? "We are poor, but every minister out France?"



SIDE BY SIDE. — The Hotel Ivoire rises majestically over Abidjan while a few kilometres away peasants live in primitive conditions. (Inset photo Erivina)



has two Mercedes Benz cars. We say we are independent but if France sneezes, every president in this part of the world pulls out a handkerchief," says a young banker.

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